

# The Bridge

**November 26, 2021** 

# Here is our YouTube link for Sunday

LIVE STREAM WORSHIP at 10AM on SUNDAY

Just click on the link! That's it!

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

https://youtu.be/B3p-s8u9BAA

Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord! -Psalm 27:14



#### Advent

The state of the world can seem overwhelming. Although our lives might be going well personally, it frankly seems at times that the world around us is crumbling. The rule of law that this country has depended on for generations seems to be eroding. We're living with division – absolute hatred even – over opinions. The world seems to be turning to fascism and totalitarianism in so many places. The climate is changing so rapidly. We have

(unfortunately) become used to the usual war, violence, poverty, and natural disasters – but something seems particularly ominous about our present state.

Advent season is the season of adding light to the darkness. Many religions and traditions have customs that recognize this. They are built around the actual time of the year that is the darkest, with the shortest days, but they mean more than that. They recognize the darkness in the world and the promise that light will come: literally and figuratively.

With the state of the world, this hope might naïve or foolish. But that is what we do. We hope in the darkness. We wait for the dawn in the middle of the night. It is at the darkest times that we call on our faith to believe what our eyes can't see. Other people of God have been in similar trying situations, and their hope was not in vein.

During Advent, we remember that the salvation of the world came from one pregnant woman in the form of Jesus Christ. And we remember that every new birth, and every child, every new idea, every act of courage, can move this world to the joy, forgiveness, justice, and peace that God envisioned for us.

As Christians, we always live in anticipation of what God will do. We wait for God to act and we rejoice when we see the light of Christ among us. And we find peace and hope every time we see the world turn towards God's will!

Rev. June Wilkins

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



Hilton Head Island S.C.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Dine Out for Christ Lutheran Preschool Thursday, December 2, 2021

Join us for lunch or dinner Dine In or Eat Out! Click on the link below for more information.

> **SANDBAR FUNDRAISER FOR THE PRESCHOOL**

# **OUR FIRST ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP**

Please bring in all your crafts by Nov. 29!

## WE CAN ONLY ACCEPT CASH AND CHECKS!

# Countdown to CLC's first ChristKindl Market



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**DECEMBER 5 from** 4-7PM



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!

SIGN UP TO HELP THIS

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

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

### **SUNDAY!**

#### Please get involved!!!

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

There is something to do for everyone!













## BEAUTIFUL HANDCRAFTED ART TO BUY

# The Good Cause

"DREAM TO RISE" - LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

Support the Diversity right here at Christ Lutheran on Hilton Head Island

How? Come and shop some Christmas or Advent presents at the Market to support the next big event, that is going to be happening right here in our newly renovated



sanctuary. In April 2022 we are hosting the island wide "Diversity Weekend" to bring together people of different races, ethnicities and cultures to promote an open and inclusive Hilton Head community.

It is not news to anyone that we are living in time of conflict, division, disagreement, and yes, inequality!

And yet we know it doesn't have to be like this. In the face of division and

inequality the church is uniquely equipped to bring healing, hope and wholeness to a hurting world.

Ours is a faith built on hope, on the belief that we are all created in the image of the Creator; on the assurance that no person or situation is beyond redemption.

We believe faith is not only believing in a Divine Being, but also doing the work of God in the world. The church is a shining city on a hill, and the world needs our light now more than ever.

At the Diversity Weekend we will come together for bridge-building conversations, and uniting through music. We will serve as a model of peacemaking in our HHI community and we are offering our beautifully renovated space to serve as a place of unity.

But before do this, let's all unite for fellowship, fun, and fundraising at our first German style Christkindl Market on December 5th under our oaks!

Please be part of this beautiful fellowship event! Sign up in the ministry lobby THIS SUNDAY!



## **ADVENT COLLECTION**

For All our Ministries and Service Partners

Here at Christ Lutheran we are celebrating the season of Advent with a collection throughout the season to support our local ministries-The Deep Well Project, The Little Free Pantry, The Thursday Lunch Break and The CLC Preschool.

Our focus is to collect **new, unwrapped** adult (men's, ladies) <u>and children's</u> **socks, gloves, hats, and even scarves** beginning on the **first Sunday of Advent, November 28 through the fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19th**. As you wish, place your donations in the basket(s) in the Narthex on Sunday morning, or in the Sanctuary, up towards the front (eventually by the tree).

Pastor will offer a blessing of the donations, which will be given to our local ministries for their use.

Some members may wish to make **additional donations** to Deep Well, the Preschool, or the Little Free Pantry (of **toys**, **food**, **paper products**, **etc.**) a list of items has been created and placed out in the Narthex.

If you have questions, please contact Chris Wilcox at 843-384-1667 or <a href="mailto:christineewilcox@aol.com">christineewilcox@aol.com</a>. Thank you!

# Congregational Meeting Sunday, December 12th after Worship

Congregational Meeting to be held Sunday, December 12, 2021, immediately following worship.

As per our Constitution, a Congregational Meeting will be held to elect Church Council members for 2022. There is one seat open for election and one seat open for re-election, both for 2-year terms. The candidates are:

Chris Wilcox for election Susan Fidler for re-election.

Please plan to stay for this important meeting. There will be a sign in sheet for the election and only voting members are allowed to vote. See you there!

# AFTER THE MEETING, STAY TO HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!

#### **BIO FOR CHRIS WILCOX**

I am a Buckeye by birth---born in Mansfield and raised in Columbus, Ohio. I received my Bachelor's Degree from Wittenberg University. With my first husband, I moved to Tucson, Arizona and then to Denver, Colorado. There I earned my Master's Degree from the University of Denver and subsequent teaching credentials and endorsements from the University of Colorado. I worked at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center for 25 years at a day treatment psychiatric center for severely emotionally disturbed children and children on the Autism Spectrum as an early childhood special education specialist. I met my



"keeper" husband, John Eddy, forty years ago; together we raised two daughters. Caitlin lives in Augusta and works at National Hospital Burn Center. Meghan lives in Beaufort in a Department of Special Needs group home. Our lives in Denver were full of skiing, hiking, camping, biking and travel. John and I also ran several businesses, one of which was an event operation with a contract to put on a very large fundraising three day bike event through the Rockies for the Children's Hospital in Denver. We "retired" to Hilton Head in 2007 and never looked back. I enjoy reading, walking the beach, playing euchre and mahjong, and working at the Deep Well Project. I became a member of Christ Lutheran Church over 10 years ago and have been on a faith journey since then, experiencing the highs and lows of belonging to a faith community. I now find myself truly uplifted as CLC moves into more connectedness with its members and its outreach and investment into the HH community. I look forward to serving CLC as a member of Council.

Thank you, Christine Wilcox



#### **BIO FOR SUSIE FIDLER**

A native of West Virginia, Susie and her family were regular visitors to Hilton Head since 1970. After moving here in 2015, she became a member of Christ Lutheran in 2016. The Lutheran church has been an integral part of her life since she was 11 years old. A retired teacher, Susie and her husband Tim settled in Moss Creek, where their children Jon and Kath come to visit from Atlanta.

For the past four years, Susie has served on Council at CLC as Ministry Liaison to Faith Formation and Congregational Care and as Secretary of Council for two years. Currently, she is the Ministry Liaison and team leader for Fellowship, serves on the Outreach Ministry, the Christkindl team, the Worship Team and is a member of the bell choir. Susie enjoys being a lector and a communion assistant and providing flowers for the altar. From time to time she will lead singing during services and on rare occasions you will see her filling in on the piano.

The past two years have not allowed Susie to complete her mission as Fellowship team leader. Only recently, with the October 31<sup>st</sup> celebration and the Chriskindl Market has she been able to help organize fellowship for CLC. It is her desire to continue to bring our membership together as much as possible as we recover from our time of isolation.

Our church has remained strong in faith through many challenging years. May we look to the future with hope and love for each other and our community.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Each Sunday a beautiful bouquet of flowers adorns the area behind the altar. These flowers are donated by members who sign up each week and they're made by our own volunteers! Wonder what happens to those flowers after Sunday morning? Sometimes people who donate them take them home. Otherwise they stay at church. There are a number of members of our church who cannot get to church due to health issues or other circumstances. Our plan is to deliver the available flowers to them!



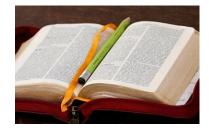
#### We have two requests:

- 1) If you are interested in **delivering flowers**, please contact Elsa Felten (847-830-6348). With enough people, you would need to deliver only a few times a year. If you can't deliver on Sunday, you can deliver on Monday.
- 2) If you have **vases at home you no longer need**, consider donating them for this ministry. Eight or 9 inches tall is a good size. You can put them in the box marked "vases" in the Ministry Lobby on Sunday, OR bring them to the office, Monday-Thursday.

If you are taking the flowers you donated, please pick them up immediately after worship. Otherwise, we might give them away!

# Wednesday Bible Study 11 a.m. via Zoom

"Celebrate God" with us at our Zoom Bible Study With the holiday season quickly approaching, "Celebrating God", is an invitation to celebrate. Throughout thirteen sessions, the celebration of who God Is, what God has done, and how God strengthens us through worship will bring you comfort, courage and joy in your faith journey.



Join us via Zoom for about an hour on Wednesday mornings beginning at 11am. Over the next 13 weeks, we will be "Celebrating God" with people of the Old and New Testaments and look to Revelation for God's plan for the future. The weekly discussions stand alone, so if you can't join us every week, no problem. Join when you can. Never been part of a Bible Study before? Our studies take us from Bible times into the challenges of being a Christian in 2021. We are a caring group that is open to all. If you have questions, contact Kathy Mork at <a href="mailto:klmork@yahoo.com">klmork@yahoo.com</a>. 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





Poinsettia and greenery will once again decorate the church for our Christmas Eve Services. The form will be included in the Bulletin this Sunday. Please place your payment, in the offering plate or return it to the church office no later than Thursday, December 16. You can also pay on our website (www.clchhi.org), at the bottom of the home page, where it says "GIVE" with a credit card.

# CLICK HERE FOR A COPY OF THE POINSETTIA FORM TO COMPLETE.

## Flower Sign-up in the Sanctuary

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 to our home-bound or ill members. The memorial/honorarium will be posted in the Sunday bulletin weekly.

#### Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club of CLC will meet on Saturday, December 18, at 12:00 pm for a holiday luncheon at the Long Cove Club. It's been 2 years since we were able to have our annual holiday get together. For \$22 we will have soup, salad, rolls, dessert, basic beverage and the tip. If you are interested in attending and love to read as we will be choosing our 2022 booklist in January, please contact Chris Wilcox at 843-384-1667 or



<u>christineewilcox@aol.com</u> as soon as possible. We welcome you!



## BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER

- 6 -- Barbara Fudjack, Wayne Sebulsky
- 14--Marion Malcolm, Gary Reynolds
- **16--**Nancy Conder
- 18--Doug Hamnes, Marajeane Zodtner
- 21--Bill Putrino

# ANNIVERSARIES FOR DECEMBER

**27-**-Wayne & Jo Ann Sebulsky, 52 years

**28**--Paul & Suzanne Gerhart, 59 years

## **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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Paul Funkhouser (Karen Momberger's cousin) **UPDATE:** 

My cousin Paul Funkhouser is doing well and home from the hospital. His address is 203 1st Street, Cherryville, NC 28021

Kieran Howard Hauck, Suzy and Ray Makalous' new grandson who was born prematurely on Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup> and is in the hospital.

Gloria Szymanski (Robin Baselice's mother)

John Babbitts. Please pray for our former member. Cards can be sent to his home: 3 Chantilly Lane Hilton Head Island, SC 29926 He has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Pat (sister-in-law) of Tami Kuhlmann

Bob Bacher (broken hip, in rehab)

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

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

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.

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 <u>info@clchhi.com</u> or with Pr. June at <u>pastorjune@clchhi.com</u>. 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, November 28

10:00 am Advent 1 worship in our Sanctuary with Communion

**Tuesday, November 30** 10:00 am Staff Meeting

### Wednesday, December 1

9:30 am Preschool Chapel 10:00 am Back pack Buddies, Heinrich's Hall 11:00 am Bible Study via Zoom 4:00 pm Bell Practice, Sanctuary

### Thursday, December 2

10:00 am Back Pack Buddies, Heinrich's Hall 11:00 am Lunch Break Program

### Sandbar Restaurant, Fundraiser for Preschool

Friday, December 3
Church Office Closed

#### **Church Office Hours:**

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