

The Bridge

November 19, 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/wx0pRUa-s9Y



Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Thanksgiving

Are we thankful? I think all of us give thanks when things are going well. When we have enough, or more than enough. When we are healthy, or recovering.

When we are happy, or content. But when things aren't going well, we get grumpy.

When things are going well, sometimes people say they ar "blessed". I am hesitant to say this. Tragedy or illness can befall any one of us at any time. When it does, that doesn't mean that we've lost God's blessing. That doesn't mean we can't still be thankful. Things like health, wealth, comfort, and safety are temporary. But there are things to be thankful for this Thanksgiving, whether our situation is good or bad or somewhere in between.

We can give thanks that God is present with us at all times, even in bad situations. We can give thanks that the Holy Spirit moves so many people to help those who need it. We give thanks that God has given courage to people who go into danger themselves to help others. We give thanks that God has given us a thirst for justice and that we might be able to help make a change in the world so less people suffer.

We can thank God that we have a Christian community we can rely on. We can give thanks for the presence of the Spirit and that we know of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We can be thankful that we have faith in a loving God who we know will never leave us.

And we give thanks that even if we are in a bad situation, even death comes to us, even if the world we know ceases to exist, that we will not be separated from the love of God. We give thanks that God will be there in our death and that we will be welcomed into God's presence and that we will never be without an eternal home.

Paul tells the Thessalonians to give thanks in all circumstances, good or bad. We have much to be thankful for, whether our life is going well or not so well. We will always have the love of God in Christ Jesus and that is something to be thankful for!

Rev. June Wilkins

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



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

Hilton Head Island S.C

OUR FIRST ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Time to get involved and to sign up to help!

CLC's first ChristKindl Market is coming!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

DECEMBER 5 from 4-7PM

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



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 STARTS NOV 7th Please get involved!!!

CAUSE

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

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!









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 christineewilcox@aol.com. Thank you!



from the Service Team.

The Service Team wishes to thank everyone who contributed to the donation pile on Sunday, November 7. It was quite a haul and boosted the supplies for all our local ministries: CLC Preschool, The Deep Well Project, CLC Little Free Pantry, and the CLC Lunch Break

Program. Thank you so very much for your generosity and support of these ministries.

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!

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!



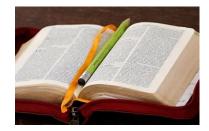
We have two requests:

- 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 klmork@yahoo.com. Study guides are available in the office.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6729108287?
pwd=UU1qK2pjR21vZnd1WVNOWXRsSTJ4Zz09
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 (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.

Dear Members of Christ Lutheran Church:

I hope I am able to express to you the tremendous appreciation felt by Hilton Head Plantation Craft Group members for the use of Heinrich Hall last Saturday, November 13th. Our holiday craft sale was extremely successful greatly due to your location and the wonderful size and lighting of the attractive hall.



Your generosity enabled our success and, as the recipient of all sale proceeds, totally benefitted Hospice Care of the Lowcountry, a not-for-profit important organization in our community.

Thank you from all our crafters, Margot Gilbert, HHP Craft Group Co-chairman



BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER

5--Jennifer Lueders

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

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!



Paul Funkhouser (Karen Momberger's cousin)

Kieran Howard Hauck, Suzy and Ray Makalous' new grandson who was born prematurely on Monday, November 8th 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 21 10:00 am IN PERSON Worship in our Sanctuary with Communion

Tuesday, November 231 pm Memorial Service for Faye Reinhardt, Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 24 Church Office & Preschool closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, November 25 Church Office & Preschool closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, November 26 Church Office & Preschool closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Church Office Hours:

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