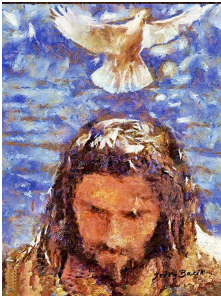




## The Bridge

### January 7, 2022



Worship Sunday,  
January 9th, 10am  
Baptism of our Lord

*Baptism of Christ, Jerry Bacik*

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Here is the live-stream  
link for January 9, 2022

Just click on the link at 10am! That's it!

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

**Baptism of our Lord- January 9, 2022**

<https://youtu.be/i-lIkbH0GFk>



### Water & Spirit

*Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. – Romans 6:3-4*

“We, the baptized members of the Church of Christ . . . “  
is how our constitution (and every constitution of the ELCA) begins. We are the baptized children of God. That is our how we identify ourselves to the world. It is what unites us, and calls us. We are forgiven, changed, and sent out by this sacrament that we share together.

Lutherans believe that Baptism is a gift of God. God is the main actor in it. That is why we baptize

infants. Because baptism is God's promise and not our promise. That promise is that God will love us no matter what else happens throughout our lives and no matter what we do. And that is why we don't re-baptize people. Because God's promises are forever.

In our baptism, God's Spirit moves through us and unites us, it surrounds us and challenges us, brings us God's forgiveness, and along with God's promise, there is a call to each of us to follow Jesus and to be Christ's hands and feet and to share the gospel with others.

This Sunday is the beginning of the Epiphany Season and that always starts with remembering Jesus baptism. When he went to the Jordan River and was baptized by John. This is also a day to remember our own baptism and to start off the year remembering that we are baptized. We are changed, brought together, and sent out into the world by water and spirit!

Rev. June Wilkins

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To read Pr. June's Sermon from last Sunday, Click Here

<http://revjunewilkinssermons.blogspot.com/>

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## New Member Orientation



Christ Lutheran's **New Member Orientation** will be on **January 30<sup>th</sup> at 11am** (just following worship). We will discuss what it means to be an ELCA Lutheran, what it means to be a member of Christ Lutheran and how you can be involved and other things. The orientation will be 1.5 to 2 hours. **If you would like to join Christ Lutheran**, or even if you're just considering it, **please contact Pr. June at [pastorjune@clchhi.com](mailto:pastorjune@clchhi.com)** or call the office at 843-785-5560.

(If you can't make the orientation at that time, Pr. June will work out another time with you.)

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## COVID Update

As you have probably been reading, the COVID infection rate here on Hilton Head and in Beaufort County is almost back to the level that we experienced at the end of August and the risk level is now "Severe". The infection rate is 1.72% and the positive test percentage is 30%. Luckily the number of people hospitalized with COVID is 10, with just 1 of those needing ICU care but there are as many as 244 new cases being reported per day.



To maintain the safest environment for Sunday worship, these are the measures we will be taking for the time being:

- Face masks are required for everyone over the age of 2.
- Communion packets are available for your use if you prefer not to walk up for communion.
- Please leave your facemask on when you go for communion. You may lower it to receive the Bread and Wine but raise it to return to your seat.
- There will be no coffee following the service.
- As a reminder, not being vaccinated increases your risk of getting AND transmitting COVID.
- If you are experiencing any COVID symptoms, please stay home to keep your fellow congregation members safe.

Anyone who feels uncomfortable attending in person despite these measures can watch the Worship Service live via YouTube. The YouTube link is available in The Bridge.

Please continue to encourage anyone you know who is not vaccinated to do so, and to get the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose as soon as they are eligible. You can find locations to get the vaccine by going to <https://vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov/>.

In addition, if you are unsure if you have COVID and would like to be tested, you can find testing locations by going to <https://scdhec.gov/covid19/find-covid-19-testing-location>. You can also try to purchase at-home testing kits at local pharmacies, but these may be difficult to find.

Thank you for your understanding and please stay healthy.  
Lynn Baglyos

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## CLC COUNCIL INFO

2022 Congregational Council will be installed this **Sunday, January 9**. Please welcome our new 2022 Council as they come forward to accept their call to minister as leaders of our family of faith.

The 2022 Council President will not be elected until the January 18, 2022, Council Meeting, at 6:30 pm, in Heinrich's Hall.



## CONNECTED - BE CURIOUS NOT JUDGEMENTAL

### Relationships and Gender Understanding your (grand)kids world in 2022



In "Dialogues on Sexuality" we will discuss in small groups various issues related to sexuality and gender and how the cultural changes of the 21st century can influence our relationships to our kids and grandkids, friends, and church family.

Dialogues are meant to offer an alternative to conflict and division, as we are striving to have bridge-building conversations rather than explosive arguments.

Let's engage with the topic and with each other in deeper, more intentional ways to seek understanding of topics like patriarchal church systems (as a female pastor our Pastor June has a unique perspective), gender and sexual identity, the unfamiliar territory of transgender people, and what does it mean to say "ALL are welcome!"?

To embrace differences, we first should engage in understanding them. What does it mean to embrace and to encourage ourselves and others to live

into the fullness of who God created us to be?

As a church we have a wonderful opportunity to bring healing, hope and wholeness to a hurting world, **please be part of this worthwhile endeavor!**  
**Join us!**

*(Sparkhouse is a division of [1517 Media](#), the ministry of publishing with the [Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#). 1517 Media divisions also include [Augsburg Fortress](#) who publishes most of the material we use in faith formation and worship.)*



## WEDNESDAYS @ 5:30 PM

starting on January 26 through February 23. Please bring your own beverage (BYOB), water will be provided. **RE-CONNECT HAPPY HOUR from 5:30 to 5:45.**

We will offer pizza and salad and ask you to wear masks at all times, except when eating. Social distancing will be required and the table set-up will be accordingly. We will try to offer the safest meeting environment possible.

## serve.



### Service Ministry

The next congregation collection for the Little Free Pantry, the Thursday Lunch Break program, the CLC Preschool and Deep Well will be **Sunday, January 9th** not Sunday, January 2 (the usual 1st Sunday date). We are all recovering from the holidays! The shelves of the LFP are getting thin and could use some additional supplies. The

Lunch Break can always use water and bags of chips for the packed lunches. Please consider bringing some of the listed items to church (the blue wagon in the Ministry Lobby) on January 9--or any time you happen to be at CLC! Our community client/guests certainly appreciate our committed outreach to them.

#### Immediate needed items:

canned fruit  
pasta  
1 # bags of white rice  
canned beans  
canned vegetables  
canned fish and meat  
pasta sauce

Chef Boyardee products  
individual boxes of breakfast cereal  
individual cartons of shelf ready milk  
paper towels  
liquid hand soap  
bottled water  
individual bags of potato chips



The Preschool started the New Year with 5 new students! We have hired an additional assistant in the classroom, so we were able to add some students from our waiting list. There are now 44 students attending Preschool.

Our Sandbar Fundraiser in December was a huge success! We have received a check for \$4,122. This was the largest amount we have every received from this fundraiser. Please support the Sandbar during the year and tell owner Erika Waronsky how grateful we are for her continued support of the Preschool.

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## ORGAN & PIANO CONCERT

### Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, noon



FREE WILL  
OFFERING AT  
THE DOOR



A fundraiser for Family Promise  
With Jerry Anderson & Beth Daly

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### **BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY**

1/2 Vera Conway,  
Linda Sheetz  
1/5 Jo Ann Sebulsky  
1/6 Gary Fons  
1/7 David Kuhlmann  
1/9 Sondra Bush  
1/14 Doris Stickel  
1/15 Patricia Bassford

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**AND**

**BEST WISHES!**

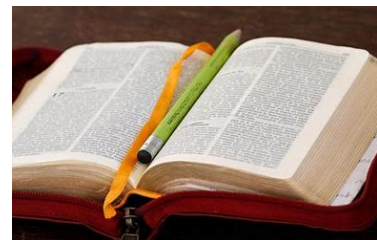
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with any corrections.

1/18 Julie Vaglianti  
1/20 Fran Baseslice,  
Henry Johns  
1/23 Leslie Heavener  
1/26 Ed Stafford  
1/28 Connie Simon  
1/30 Beth Harwood

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

“Celebrate God” with us at our Zoom Bible Study. 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.

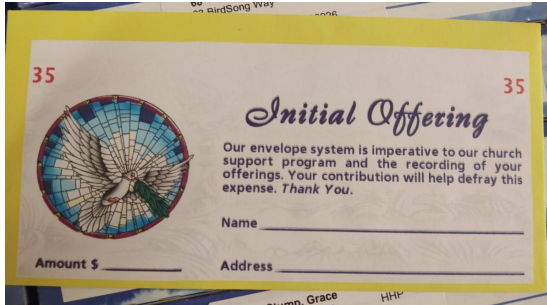


Join us via Zoom for about an hour on Wednesday mornings beginning at 11am. Over the next 13



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](mailto:klmork@yahoo.com). Study guides are available in the office.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6729108287?pwd=UU1qK2pjR21vZnd1WVNOWXRSTJ4Zz09>  
Meeting ID: 672 910 8287 Passcode: 247876



***PLEASE pick up your  
Offering Envelopes  
for 2022  
in the Narthex.***

***Thank You!***

### **Ladies Book Club---**

The Ladies Book Club will meet on Saturday, January 15 at 1:30 pm at the community room at Waterwalk Apartments Building 1 (behind Guiseppe's Pizza and TJMaxx, north of Kroger) on Shelter Cove Lane. At this time, we will select our book choices for 2022 from a list already submitted by members. If you love to read, enjoy discussing books, and relish fellowship with other church members, this is a group for you! Please join us! Contact Chris Wilcox at 843-384-1667 or [christineewilcox@aol.com](mailto:christineewilcox@aol.com) for further information about our group and how to gain access to the Waterwalk community room!



The Staff at Christ Lutheran would like to sincerely thank you all for your love and appreciation you showed by contributing to the "Christmas Purse" Fund.

Blessings to you all from,  
Pastor June, Silke, Linda, Mike & Patti,  
Nancy, Tami & Garrett

### **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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Patti Bassford

Kathy Mork who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Gloria Szymanski (Robin Baselice's mother)

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 [info@clchhi.com](mailto:info@clchhi.com) or with Pr. June at [pastorjune@clchhi.com](mailto: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, January 9**

10:00 am **Baptism of our Lord**  
worship with Communion

**Tuesday, January 11**

10:00 am Staff Meeting  
1:00 pm Admin & Finance Meeting, via Zoom

**Wednesday, January 12**

3:00 pm Bell Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
4:15 pm Adult Choir, Sanctuary

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