



The Bridge

December 8, 2023



We are a
Reconciling in Christ
Congregation

[Click Here to read our
Welcome Statement](#)



Advent 2

Sunday, December 10
10 am

LIVE STREAM WORSHIP at
10 AM on SUNDAY

Just click on the link! That's it!

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLotbYu7kUgY9WtkoAcVthi-ueKguDUR7c&si=lnEV1tmQ_lxRXmix

You can also find the link on the homepage of our website:

www.clchhi.org

Worship Team

Preacher & President: Pastor June Wilkins

Reader: Linda Kondor

Communion Assistants: Wayne & Jo Ann Sebulsky

Ushers: Joe Etter & Fran Baseline

Greeters: Fran & Robin Baseline

Altar Guild: Jo Ann Sebulsky

Our musicians this week are:

Rick Radcliff, Piano

The Sojourners

Thanks to all our music leaders and volunteers!

To read Pr. June's Sermon from last week, click here:

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



USHERS AND LECTORS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS!

We need ushers and lectors for December 24th and December 31st.

One usher is needed for the 4 p.m. Christmas Eve service

Two ushers are needed for the 8 p.m. Christmas Eve service

At least **one lector** is needed for the December 31st worship service.

Please call Linda in the office if you can help with these Christmas worship services!

Thank you! *Susie Fidler, Worship & Music*

A HOLIDAY I.D.E.A.
Inclusion Diversity Equity Access
Inclusión Diversidad Igualdad Acceso

A HOLIDAY MUSICAL VARIETY EXTRAVAGANZA!

A CELEBRATION OF OUR DIVERSITY!

TICKETS ONLY \$20 plus fees

For Tickets, go to www.lowcountrydiversity.org

The same amazing concert! Two separate dates!

Saturday Dec 9th @ 7pm • Sunday Dec 10th @ 4pm

Christ Lutheran Church • 829 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head

HOLIDAY CONCERT At CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

December 9 at 7pm

December 10 at 4pm

Tickets are \$20

To purchase tickets, go to

www.lowcountrydiversity.org

**YOU CAN PURCHASE
TICKETS AT THE
DOOR**

CHRISTMAS GIFT BAG DELIVERY December 10th after worship

We need volunteers to deliver gift bags to the people of Chimney Cove. We will all do it after worship on December 10th in groups of two.

You will get clear instructions and a map.
It will take about an hour.

If you would like to deliver these bags, meet Pr. June & Silke after Worship Sunday!

Shout Out to Gift Bag Packers

Thank you to all of you (I counted at least 22 of you, probably more) who came out Wednesday night to help bag hundreds of cookies, pack gift bags, count items, decorate the Heinrichs Hall tree, set up tables, take down tables, sort/set up/price items for the concert concussion stand, order pizza and overall make a huge job manageable and done in a relatively short period of time! We packed 55 gift bags with candy canes, 2 Walmart gift cards, bags of cookies and an invitation to holiday services. Thank you Carla for delivering the 3 gift bags to Family Promise. Thank you in advance for those of you who will attempt to deliver the Chimney Cove gift bags on Sunday.

Thank you all for what you do to live our mission to serve our community!

-Chris Wilcox



**Thank you to all the cookie bakers in the congregation!
You went above and beyond! Your generous cookie donations
are so much appreciated.**



Congregational Meeting

Next Sunday, December 17

We will hold our CLC Congregational Meeting immediately after worship. There will be a vote to re-elect Chris Wilcox for another 2 year term beginning January 2024 and running through December 2025. In addition there are several announcements to be made before the council vote is taken. Please plan on attending this important meeting!

If anyone has an interest in serving on the Council, please contact Chris Wilcox at 843-384-1667 or email at cwilcoxhhi@gmail.com so your name can be added to the ballot.

Correction

After another thorough review of all the Council members' terms of office, we found an error that needs correction before the December 17, 2023 Congregational Meeting. Doug Felten is currently finishing his first year of his second 2 year term as an elected Council member. He has another year to serve in this 2nd term before his current term expires. His name will be removed from the ballot that was published several weeks ago. For clarity, I am finishing my second year of my two year term and have agreed to run for another two year term as a Council member. My name remains on the ballot.

I apologize for the confusion.

Chris Wilcox Council President

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PURPOSE

December 20th at 9am
in Heinrichs Hall

CLC Preschool's Christmas Pageant

Join Christ Lutheran Preschool children and parents as Laurie Mauer and the children put on a wonderful Christmas show



RECONSTRUCTION...THE UNTOLD STORY

CIRCLE UNBROKEN
A GULLAH JOURNEY FROM AFRICA TO AMERICA

Starring: Aunt Pearl Sue and The Gullah Kinfolk

We Invite you to step back in time with the nationally acclaimed ensembles full-stage musical and experience. *Circle Unbroken: A Gullah Journey from Africa to America* is the true story of newly freed Gullahs, a people determined to persevere out of the bondage of slavery. Award winning storyteller, Aunt Pearl Sue & Gullah Kinfolk bring this profound era of American History Alive.

Saturday January 6, 2024
5:00pm Doors Open 6:00pm Showtime

Christ Lutheran Church
829 William Hilton Pkwy
Hilton Head Island, SC 29928

Scan for Tickets or Visit
bit.ly/hhMLKevents



Prayer Garden Work Day January 13 9am

The Prayer Garden Team has scheduled a work day (weather permitting) in the prayer garden on **Saturday, January 13**. We want to rake out and re-distribute as much of the pine straw around the trees and plants as we can in the next step in the refurbishment of the space. If you can spare your time, muscle, and tools (rakes, pitchforks, wheelbarrows) we

would gladly welcome your presence.

The team would like not to spend the money in our account to pay the landscapers to do this work.

Please come to church at 9 am on Saturday, January 13 and help us out!
Coffee, for sure, will be served!

STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFTS

We will be collecting for a Christmas Purse to say "thank you" to our staff.

Since our budget will not allow for raises for our staff this year, these gifts will be much appreciated!

Please be generous to those who do so much for our church community!

These gifts will be given to Pastor June, Silke Pyrlik, Linda Sheetz, Mike and Patti Conklin, Nancy Conder, and Garrett Keyes.



If you would like to contribute to the Purse, you can place your contribution in the offering plate or drop it by the office.

Please make your checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church and mark "Purse" on the memo line.

Gifts should be given by Monday, December 18.

If you would like to give online,
go to our web site at clchhi.org, click on
GIVE and select "**CLC Staff Christmas Purse**"
from the drop down menu.

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettia and greenery will once again decorate the church for our Christmas Eve Worship. (You are then encouraged to take home your poinsettia after Christmas Eve!)



To purchase Poinsettia plants, (\$15 each) please complete the Order Form and place it, with your payment, in the offering plate or return it to the church office no later than **Monday, December 18**. Order forms will be available through this link [The Poinsettia order form!](#) in the Narthex, or in the Church Office.

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go to our web site at clchhi.org, click on
GIVE and select "Christmas Poinsettias"
from the drop down menu.

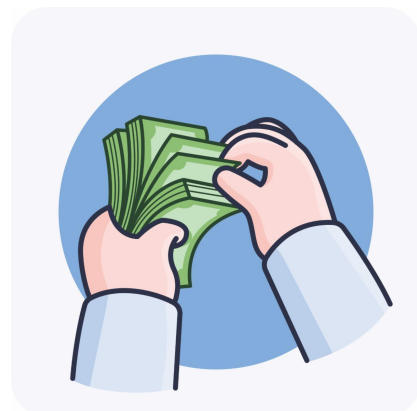
DO YOU LIKE COUNTING ???

Can we count on you?

We are currently are in need of offering counters for the 2024 calendar year.

What this involves is about an hour of your time to work with another member in counting the offering we have received that week and making a deposit.

We have recently made night deposits available. This now opens up Sunday after church as a time for counting and making the deposit at the bank, or



Monday morning as has been the tradition in the past.

Counting happens each week, and with many hands we can make this opportunity less taxing for everyone. So come and join our ranks of wonderful counters who have been just the best!!! Our current counters are Paulette Stefanik, Wayne Sebulsky, Lynn Baglyos, Ed Stafford, Eric Momberger, and Kris Klotz. I am sure if you have any questions, they will be happy to answer them.

Please contact me, at karenmomberger@gmail.com, or by phone at (412) 389-2596 if you can help with this GREAT OPPORTUNITY to serve the church!!!

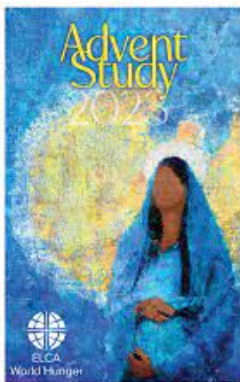
Red Cross Blood Drive Hilton Head Community

**Thursday, December 14th, 11am – 5pm
Christ Lutheran Church
Heinrichs Hall**

Please schedule your appointment online at
www.redcrossblood.org
(Sponsor Code: HHCommunity)

Please make an appointment!

**Schedule a blood donation appt today!
1-800-RED-CROSS or 800-733-2767**



ADVENT STUDY
Tuesdays
November 28-November 19
11:30am

Where and how do you encounter God?
At a time when our world bears the wounds of
conflict, hunger and disaster, it can be challenging to
uncover where and how God is at work.

Bring a lunch



Wednesday Bible Study
11 a.m. via Zoom

Zoom NEW Bible Study--Begins December 1

"Faith That Glorifies God" December 1 through February 25, 2024

The purpose of this study, "Faith That Glorifies God" is to inspire participants.

Our world needs to see and experience God's love. God is working tirelessly to reach all people with this life-changing love, and we get to be a part of it!

May God move us through the witness of our biblical ancestors to faith that glorifies God.

The members of this study group are from various ELCA congregations across the country who share a common desire to grow and serve. If you can't make it every week, that's okay. We'll welcome you as often as you can join us. Contact [Kathy Mork](#) for more info.

Study Guides are available in the church office.

Zoom Information

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6729108287?pwd=aytMaXFcc2JYQXoxRGtuZXVUekJOUT09>

Meeting ID: 672 910 8287



CLC Grief Support Group

The community grief support group will be meeting **Tuesdays at 11AM weekly** in the "sofa room" of the educational building.

Please contact Silke in the office or via email if you would like to be part of a group of people who all grieve the loss of a loved one in different and individual ways but can now share the pain and suffering as well as the joys and hopes that life still has to offer.

Contact [Silke Pyrlik](#) for more information!



Sunday morning Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God

They enhance the beauty of our service and remind us of God love for us through his amazing creation. Flowers do not have to be given just for a birthday or anniversary. There are many occasions that cause us to be grateful – such as a new grandchild, memory of loved ones, recovery from illness, kindness received, recognition of the music program or other church ministries, church staff etc.

The flowers may be taken home after the service or you can choose to have them delivered by our members to other members of our congregation who are homebound and may need a gift of God's love.

Please check out the flower chart in the Ministry Lobby or call the office to add your name to donate Altar Flowers. A faithful group of women purchase the flowers and create beautiful arrangements each Sunday. Your requested donation is \$45. Thank you to those who donate, those who prepare and those who deliver the gift of flowers.

December 3--John & Joyce Prange, in memory of John's sister, June Prange.

December 10--OPEN

December 17--Ann Hamnes, in honor of her husband, Doug's birthday.

December 24--Poinsettias

December 31--OPEN

Additional dates are available. Contact the office if you would like to sponsor altar flowers, or sign up for a date on the flower chart in the Narthex. Your dedication will be printed in the bulletin.



FOR OUR VISITORS AND MEMBERS

Nick Perkins who had spinal surgery and is recovering
Edie Marth who was in the hospital and is now in rehab
Beth Harwood who is recovering from knee surgery
Barbra Johnson who fell and broke her shoulder
Jackie Longo who is starting cancer treatment
Carla Holm who is dealing with cancer

FOR CLC FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES

Katherine Kirk, (mother of Carolyn Kern), who fell and hurt her knee.
Phoebe Abrams (Bob Abdou's mother) who fell and broke her neck
Brian Leri (fighting cancer, friend of Karen & Eric Momberger)
Dana Brown (recurrence of cancer, friend of Linda Condor)
Janet Zendzian (recent surgery, friend of Linda Condor)
Calhoun Family (Lynn and Allen) friends of Patty Bassford
Jim Woods, son-in-law of Lois Gregory
Richard Brooks (Patty Bassford's son)
Ruth Keightley, Carol Benton's mother
The people of Chimney Cove
Gary Gregory (Lois Gregory's son)

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.

**WHAT'S
HAPPENING**

Sunday, December 10

10:00 am **2nd Sunday of Advent**
4:00 pm Diversity Concert, Heinrichs Hall

Tuesday, December 12

9:30 am Staff Meeting, Craft Room
11:00 am Grief Support Group
11:30 am until 12:30 pm--Advent Study
6:30 pm Council Meeting, Heinrichs Hall

Thursday, December 14

11:00 am to 5:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive
Heinrichs Hall

Friday, December 15

5:00 pm Shag Club, Heinrichs Hall

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

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