

SPECIAL DATES

- Palm Sunday – 3/29
- Maundy Thursday – 4/2
- Good Friday – 4/3
- Easter Vigil – 4/4
- Easter Sunday – 4/5
- Worship Mtg – 3/8, 4/12
- Bible Study – 4/1, 4/15
- Grief Share – 3/12, 4/9
- Youth Group – 3/6, 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24
- Lenten Services – 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25
- Evangelism Mtg – 3/8, 4/12
- Parish Ed Mtg – 3/9, 4/13
- Pins & Needles – 3/10, 4/7
- Exec Meeting – 3/10, 4/14
- Council Mtg – 3/17, 4/21
- Teleconference – 4/8
- Pairs & Spares – 3/19, 4/16
- Pantry Distribution – 3/17

March 2026						
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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Christ Lutheran families,

Receive my heartfelt greetings wherever you are! First of all, thank you so much for your prayers and support.

As all of you know we have been studying the book of Philippians during our Bible study and now, we are studying the last chapter of the book. I want to share with you this text from the fourth chapter through which God has taught me a lesson.

"I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:12-13

The letter to the Philippians is one of the four letters which Paul wrote from prison. The whole content of the book never seems to be written by a person who suffers in one of the worst Roman prisons.

The church in Philippi was planted by the Apostle Paul during his secondary missionary journey. It is a thank you note sent by Paul to the church for the care package they sent to him as he languished in the Roman prison. Not only did Paul thank the Philippians for their gift, but he also expressed his unceasing joy with God's provision for him in any and every situation, even in prison.

The first thing Paul says is that he has learned to be content in every circumstance. If you are a Christian, are you unshakably content with your life? If not, what do you think will make you happy? A thing? Notice, Paul was in a Roman prison when he wrote this letter to the Philippians around A.D. 61. This Jewish rabbi, who was a Pharisee, a Roman citizen, a highly-educated man, and a former persecutor of the Christian faith, now wrote this powerful letter regardless of the worst situation that he was struggling with. How can this be possible? How could anyone be happy in such a miserable situation?

Here is the secret: If heaven is where God is, this prison was heaven to Paul, because the Lord was with him. That is the key to it all. Paul could look at the chains and the prison and the darkness, or he could look at God, who was with him. The Lord who appeared to him and converted him on the road to Damascus never forsook him. He said that at his first trial, though all believers, friends, left him, the Lord stood with him and gave him strength (2 Timothy 4:16-18). So, the key to Christian contentment is not a thing but a person, God himself.

The mother of all doctrines is the union of a believer with Jesus Christ by saving faith. It is an inseparable and everlasting union in which Christ his head always nourishes and cherish him, just as a Christian husband is to nourish and cherish his wife. He does this every moment for every one of us by granting us the sufficiency of his grace.

That was the key to Paul's happiness and sufficiency: the Lord was with him and the Lord was in him. How could Paul be unhappy in the Lord's presence?

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Memorials and Honorariums

In memory of Linda Goldenbogen

Gift is designated to Food Pantry
Given by: Carol Coles, BJ Gillett, and
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hopp

In memory of Ross Lusk

Gift is designated to Pins & Needles
Given by: Lee & Nancy O'Bryan
Gift is undesignated
Given by: Shirley Dutcher

In memory of Sandra Naugo

Gift is designated to Food Pantry
Given by: Ray & Deb Kadluboski
Gift is designated to Pastor's Discretion
Given by: Mike & Pat VanSlembruck
Gift designated to Pins & Needles
Given by: Lee & Nancy O'Bryan

In memory of Leonard Solecki

Gift designated to Landscaping
Given by: Nancy Woy
Gift designated to Pins & Needles
Given by: Lee & Nancy O'Bryan

If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord.
So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.
Romans 14:8

In memory of Betty Stutzky

Gift is designated to Fellowship
Given by: Ray & Debbie Kadluboski

Gift is designated to Food Pantry
Given by: Sherry Carroll, Mike & Pat
Van Slembruck

Gift designated to Landscaping
Given by: Nancy Woy

Gift designated to Pins & Needles
Given by: Lynn Lusk, Lee & Nancy
O'Bryan

Gift designated to General Fund
Given by: Charlene Catey, Margaret
Cawood, Carol Coles, Stephen &
Linda DeAndy, Shirley Dutcher, Betty
Gelb, Harold & Paula Grawburg,
Shirley Mannikko, Glenn & Suzanne
Sopfe, Terry & Esther Straka, Dolores
Taylor, Keith & Charlene
VanDekerkhove

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those
who believe in me, even though they die, will live and
everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."
John 11:25-26

Stamp Out Hunger food drive is scheduled for Saturday, May 9

In order to keep the Daily Bread Food Pantry Ministry afloat, it makes a great difference to accept non-perishable food donations from the Warren USPS letter carriers. They collect donated food while they deliver mail that day. In previous years, they have dropped off donated food anywhere from noon until about 6 pm. Most drop offs at our church, however, have occurred around 3 pm. and thereafter.

There is a need for volunteers, but it is not necessary for them to be present the entire time. If you can contribute one hour, it lessens the demand for labor.

Areas that need help include unloading letter carrier vehicles, writing dates on food items, putting goods in dated groupings and boxing them. This will take place in the Fellowship Hall. The Property Committee sets up tables in advance which helps volunteers locate where everything goes.

Please mark your calendar ahead of time if interested. Further information will be provided in the upcoming Christ Today newsletter, along with a Temple Talk.

Thank you, Melissa Bruesehoff

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Services are in-person & Live Streamed	10:00 A.M. SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE					
1 Worship service at 10 am with communion 10:00 – Sunday School 11:15 - Catechism 11:30 – Coffee Hour 11:30 – Blood Pressure Chk	2 9:30 Prayer Group 7:15 Bells	3	4 Lenten Service Noon & 7 pm	5	6 Youth Group 6-8 pm	7
8 Worship Service at 10:00 am with Holy Communion 10:00 - Sunday School 11:15 - Catechism 11:30 – Coffee Hour 11:30 – Evangelism Mtg 11:30 – Worship Mtg	9 9:30 a.m. Prayer group 6:00 Parish Ed 7:15 Bells	10 10 am Staff Meeting 10 am Pins & Needles 6:30 Exec Mtg.	11 Lenten Service Noon & 7 pm	12 12:00 Grief Share	13 Youth Group 6-8 pm	14 Euchre 2-5:00
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29 Palm Sunday Student-led Service at 10:00 am with Holy Communion 10:00 - Sunday School 11:00 - Catechism 11:15 – Coffee Hour	30 9:30a.m. Prayer Group 7:15 Bells	31				

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

April

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10:00 AM					
In-person and live streaming			1 Bible Study 11 am and 7 pm	2 Maundy Thurs. w/ communion at 7 pm	3 Good Friday Noon & 7 pm	4 Easter Vigil 5:30 PM with communion
5 Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:00 – Sunday School 11:15 – Catechism 11:30 – Coffee Hour	6 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group 7:15 Bells	7	8 7 pm Teleconference Call 712-832- 8700 ID 9192000 #	9 Noon- Grief Share	10 Youth Group 6-8 pm	11 Euchre 2-5:00 pm
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YOUNG AT HEART Age 50 PLUS

 **MARCH**
Birthdays & Anniversaries

 **APRIL**
Birthdays & Anniversaries

The Lord bless and keep you; the Lord
make his face shine upon you and be
gracious to you; the Lord lift his
countenance upon you and give you
peace. (Numbers 6:24)

Theresa Budzynsky	3/1
Phyllis Skora	3/1
Jeri Tompkins	3/2
Annette Brow	3/5
Bernd Doetzkies	3/5
Peggy Donkin	3/7
Joe Dzielski	3/7
Jeff Lozen	3/7
Sue Bochenck	3/10
Noreen Henning	3/15
Ray Budzynski	1/17
Richard Bull	3/19
Charles Mirisciotti	3/19
Michael Daniels	3/23
Frank Naugo	3/23
Stephen De Andy	3/26
Joyce Kaganac	3/31
Lynn Lusk	3/31

Happy Anniversary

**Bob & Ann Slavko
57 years March 8**

Send a card & share a wish with
our young at heart 50+ Seniors of
CLC

Debbie Dzielski	4/8
Kathi Frezza	4/8
Charlene Cady	4/10
Donna Schiesel	4/10
Lois Bartlett	4/11
Susan Muhme	4/11
Nancy Hynick	4/19
Edward Marcotte	4/19
Debbie Hasson	4/20
Nancy Vrana	4/20
Michael Schneider	4/26
Matthew Titherage	4/26
Milton Lobstein	4/29
Jennifer Schneider	4/30

Happy Anniversary

Daniel & Bobbye Nicholson

65 years April 15

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Mon. – Thurs: 9am – 2:00pm

Friday – 9:00 am - noon

From the Council President

Hello Christ Lutheran Church Family!

I hope you have managed to stay warm and healthy during this very cold and snowy winter. I realize the weather may have kept some of you with health issue home. We continue to pray for those who are experiencing new or continued health issues. Keep in mind, winter is almost over!!!

As we think about the passing of winter, we have begun the Lenten season. We continue to revisit the story of Christ and His journey to the cross for our sake and the forgiveness of all our sins!! What a glorious gift we have been blest with .I pray you will put extra effort into joining your church family as we read and study all that Christ has done for us and through us during this Lenten season. We will have services each Wednesday that began on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18. We are offering noon and 7 pm services, with the noon service offered only as long as attendance is sufficient to hold the church open and staffed,

Your Council members are also offering a light meal to enjoy with fellowship each Wednesday evening at 6 pm prior to the 7 pm service. Please join us for these special services as we walk through the last earthly days of Jesus and His sacrifice for all who believe that He is our one true Lord and Savior. **If you are in need of transportation to any service, please contact a Council member, usher or the church office and we will work to make sure you are able to attend services.**

It has been wonderful seeing some of our missing members return to our services. Please continue to welcome new members. What a joyful gift to be able to witness the growth of our church family. Please continue to bring and welcome guests. Thank you to all who assist our homebound members whenever needed. Prayers continue for those in need of the healing of mind, body, and spirit, as well as those suffering the loss of loved ones. Continue to pray, and to look to the Lord for guidance and strength.

Visitors are welcome and encouraged to contact the church office or Pastor Hunde if considering becoming members of Christ Lutheran Church. If you have an after-hours emergency, please contact Pastor Hunde or Cheryl Gothro. Our numbers are on the automated office directory or in the church phone directory.

We look forward to seeing you in church.

Yours in Christ, Cheryl Gothro - Council President

Weather Conditions Don't Cancel January's Drive-thru Pantry Distribution

Here we are, most of us with spring fever and waiting for warmer outdoor and more sunshine. Everyone's patience is limited, while our unchanging, permanent Father has a great abundance of it with grace and love.

This was the common discussion during the days when hundreds of school districts were closed. Most of the Metro Detroit pantries also were closed, but the Christ Lutheran Church drive-thru pantry was open for customers. Some thirty-one households (eighty-nine individuals), pre-registered clients communicated ahead of time and came to receive foods, cleaning supplies and paper products. Once again, Oakridge Market donated breads, pastas, and snacks in great abundance.

Every pantry household shared how amazing it was to see volunteers who were willing to be outdoors on a blustery, below zero wind chill day. The clients encouraged the volunteers to stay warm and healthy, while they were reminded about how God provides under all circumstances. Volunteers were prepared with layers to stay safe and took precautions to make the distribution possible.

On another note, one of the frequent pantry visitors who has connections with one of our church members passed away suddenly and unexpectedly. She used to write thank-you notes multiple times after receiving a box. She shared how everything in the box was used and truly appreciated. More so, this ministry helped her in stretching the dollars to pay a utility bill, for example. A relative of hers sent a thank-you card with a generous gift of money, requesting it to go towards the pantry ministry and to help another household.

There are so many unseen 'behind the scene' gifts of labor and generosity being share in ways that God fully blesses beyond our imaginations. Thank you to everyone who prays, give of their time, effort or monetary donations towards this ministry. The next distribution takes place on Tuesday, March 17. This completes the thirteenth year of this ministry. Thank you everyone!

From the Pastor's Desk (Continued from page one)

In his presence, there is fullness of joy, and, on his right hand, there are pleasures forevermore. David says, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." Psalm 23:1. You cannot be unhappy in the presence of the Lord.

Dear friends,

I don't know what you are struggling with as you read this article, but I can guarantee you that if you rely on Him with total dependence and trust in HIM above all things, you can do all things through HIM who can strengthen you.

As long as we live on this planet, we will continue to experience life challenges. That is what the Christian life is about: the ups and downs of health and sickness, despising and praising, deprivation and provision, some hating us and others loving us. God ordains sovereignly all of these experiences for our good. There is purpose behind all the experiences God brings our way.

God uses all things to conform us to Jesus Christ in character. Through our life experiences, the Lord, our Bridegroom, makes us, his bride, glorious, without stain or wrinkle, holy and blameless, in preparation for the great wedding feast of the Lamb.

Let us continue to keep the unity of the Spirit as we continue to serve HIM with love.

Pastor Tsegayesus Hunde

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

From the family of Betty Stutzky . . .

We would like to thank you all for your encouraging words and the kindness you showed our Mom and our family throughout her health challenges over the past 8 months.

The cards, phone calls, texts, visits & meals dropped off were very much appreciated & we know she "Felt the Love."

She always looked forward to calls, visits & communion from Pastor Hundee.

Mom was a member of Christ Lutheran Church for over 60 years & she loved her church as well as her church family.

The outpouring of Love shown to our family at Mom's funeral helped to ease the pain and sadness of losing our dear Mother.

From the bottom of our hearts . . . Thank you

Diane Koschke & family, David Stutzky, Dan Stutzky & Debi Stutzky
Kachman & family

Creative Card Ministry

The Creative Card Ministry is in need of additional members to help Judy Kreuger. Judy is willing to work with others and show them what is/was being done. She and Betty created a beautiful system of organization to create and send special cards to our homebound members, to those hospitalized or just celebrating a special occasion.

If you are interested in helping keep this wonderful ministry going (in honor of Betty Stutzky), please let Shannon, in the church, know.

Blessings,

Lynn

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Pins and Needle members seeking more funds and volunteers

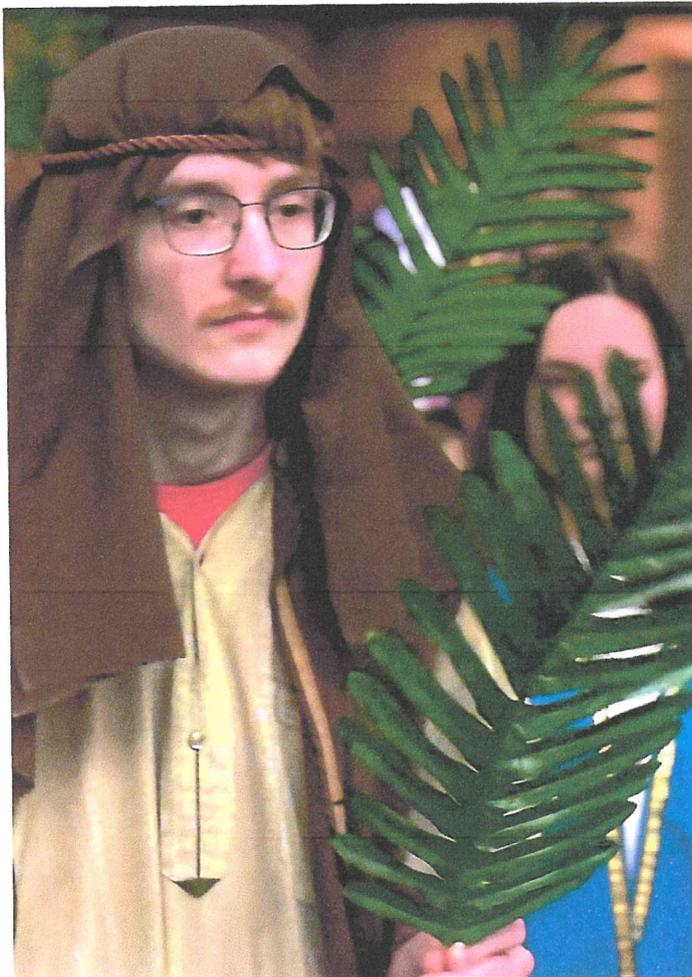
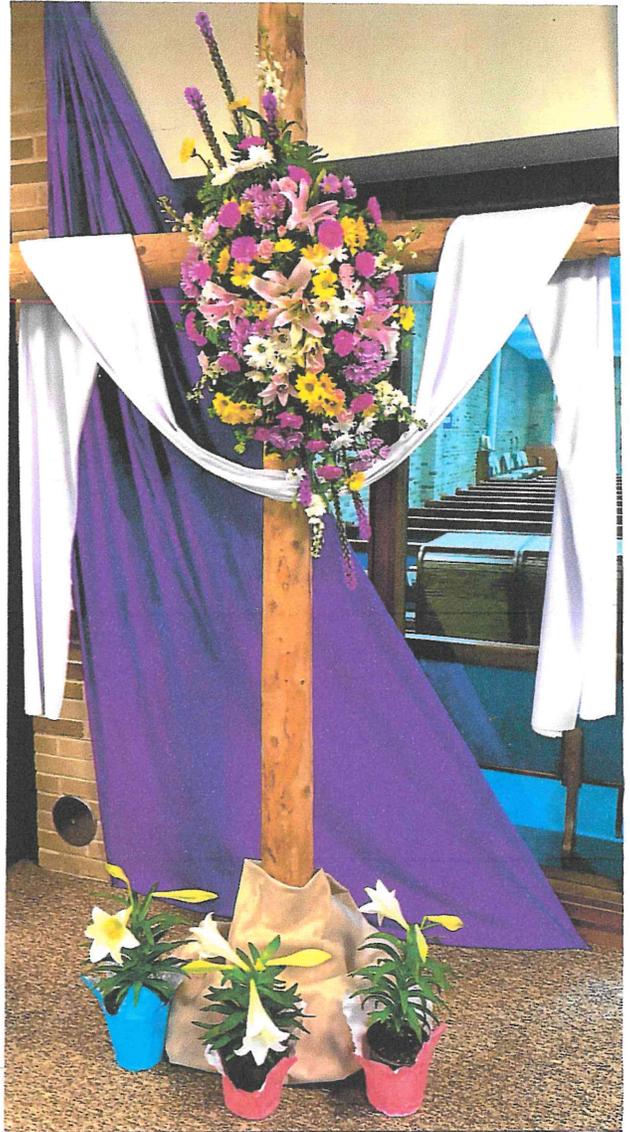
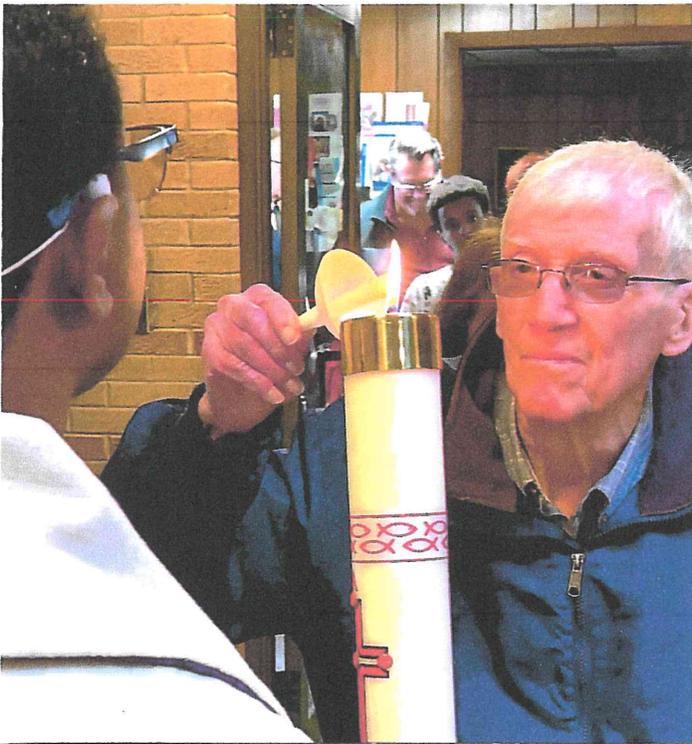
Six CLC ladies combined their talents and efforts to produce 326 lap robes this past year. Bob Slavko delivered the robes to residents in area nursing homes and to patients at veteran hospitals.

The Pins & Needles volunteers generally meet at CLC the second Tuesday of each month from 10:00 to noon to pick up necessary materials and/or to return blankets they completed at their home.

For years, these volunteers have donated personal materials (pins, fabric, thread, scissors, pliers, etc.) to complete their "projects of love." They are grateful for CLC members who donate their memorial contributions to their committee. It is greatly appreciated.

The current members are looking to recruit more volunteers. No sewing experience is necessary. There is a need for volunteers to purchase and cut material, to tie knots, to store and organize supplies and to help deliver completed blankets. Contact Carol Bokano if you have questions or wish to volunteer.

CLC Members Prepare for Holy Week



Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 29

10 am Worship Service with communion

Maundy Thursday, April 2

7 pm Worship Service with communion

Good Friday, April 3

Noon & 7 pm Worship Service

Easter Vigil, April 4

5:30 pm Worship Service with communion

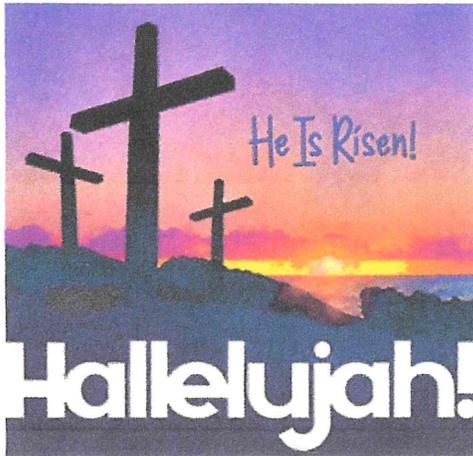
Easter Sunday, April 5

10 am Worship Service with communion

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EASTER LILIES

We will be placing lilies around the altar again this Easter. Purchase a plant for \$12.50, honor someone special, and beautify the sanctuary. The final day to order lilies is March 22, 2026.

Your name _____

Phone _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

From the _____ family

Please note: plants can be picked up following the Easter Worship Service April 5th.

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