

The Crusader

Christ Lutheran Church
315 N Shipley Street
Seaford, DE 19973
Rev. Donn Woolweber
Seaford, DE 19973 Phone: 302-629-9755
8:30 am Praise Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship

APRIL 2026



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FOOD SHELF ARTICLE- APRIL 2026

Matthew 5:16 "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

In March, we donated 217 non perishable food items, 7 cleaning products and 8 personal care items. We also provided 100 lidded soup bowls and 200 lidded coffee cups. A used iPhone was also donated.

GrabNGo lunch supplies (bread, lunch meats, cheese, peanut butter and jelly and oranges) were delivered to Love In The Name of Christ Cross Center.

We also donated to the "Do More 24 Delaware" initiative held on March 5-6, supporting Love INC to provide training, support and resources needed for families to move from homelessness toward stability, accountability and a fresh start.

High priority items needed include: soup with pop-top lids, canned fruit and vegetables, cereal, spaghetti noodles and sauce, instant potatoes, oatmeal and to-go peanut butter packets.

If you'd like to make a monetary donation, it can be placed in the offering plate with the envelope marked "Food Shelf". Checks can be written out to Christ Lutheran Church with "Food Shelf" on the memo line.

Thank you for your continued support. Every donation made blesses someone.

FOOD SHELF TEAM

Linda Boone
Carl Boone
Janet Moore

Upcoming Events:

- April 5th and 19th Holy Communion at both Services
- Choir Practice Wednesday at 7 pm
- Friends Supporting Friends@11:00 am Mondays
- April 5th@9:45 am Brunch between services
- Saturday, April 11th@6:30 pm Bunco
- Tuesday, April 14th@1:00 pm Book Club
- Thursday, April 16th@2 pm LWML Meeting
- Monday, April 20th@7 pm Lutheran Laymen's League
- Tuesday, April 21st@2 pm Lay Ministry Meeting
- Saturday, April 25th@9:30 am LWML Delmarva Spring Rally

Coming to Christ Lutheran DelMarVa LWML Zone Spring Rally

Saturday, April 25, 9:30am-3pm

On April 25, our congregation is hosting the annual LWML Spring Rally. Lutheran women and men, too, from across DelMarVa will be joining us to worship our Savior, share mission and ministry activities, enjoy fellowship, and celebrate our Christian faith. The day will include a prayer service led by our LWML Zone pastors, singing, prayer and Visual Faith activities, ministry presentations, and a delicious lunch. There is no cost.

Please join us!



April 5 Congregation
April 12 Carol & Russ Taylor
April 19 Carol & Dan Schreffler
April 26 Deanna Thomas

April BSSP News Article

As a thank you to Michelle Nuss for her service to the BSSP class during the time she and Pastor Dave were at Christ Lutheran, a quilt was assembled and mailed to her. The white blocks in the quilt were personalized by the students and staff with their name, a drawing, a message, or Bible verse. Peggy Gum took the white blocks, added further blocks and quilt squares, and made a beautiful quilt. Thank you Peggy for the idea and your quilting skills.

Just a reminder, we do not have class on April 4, Easter weekend.

April Calendar and Bible Stories

- April 4 – No Class – Easter Break
- April 11 – Jesus Teaches Us to Trust
- April 18 – Jesus is Anointed
- April 25 – Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

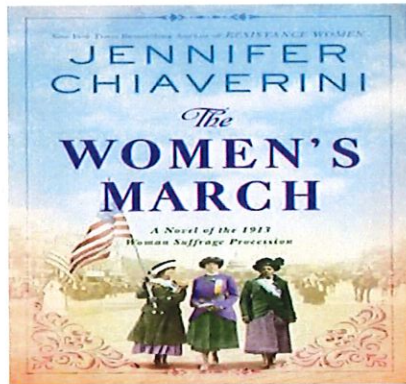
We wish everyone a blessed Easter.

Leona Tull and Donna Hassman
Co-coordinators



April Book Club
Tuesday, April 14, 1:00
pm

The Women's March
By Jennifer Chiaverini



The Women's March: A Novel of the 1913 Woman Suffrage Procession, by Jennifer Chiaverini, is a historical novel about the 1913 women's suffrage parade in Washington, D.C., told through the perspectives of three women: organizer Alice Paul, New York librarian Maud Malone, and civil rights activist Ida B. Wells-Barnett. The book explores the challenges of the movement, including sexism, racism, and classism, as the women navigate the historic march on the eve of Woodrow Wilson's inauguration, facing hostility from crowds and internal struggles over the decision to stand up for their rights.

**Pick up your book & join us
on April 14!**

The Lutheran Laymen's League

Gentleman, a welcomed response from the majority of men that have been contacted about forming our own LLL group! Our next step is to gather together to share ideas, hopes and even dreams of what we can accomplish with our Lord at the helm. Would you set aside the evening of April 20th for our first meeting at 7 p.m. That would be the third Monday in April in the conference room. Please pray about your decision to join us if you have any concern over fitting an hour of your time into your busy schedules.

The Lutheran Hour

You have noticed a little hint about "needing a lift" in our weekly information sheets. It is hopeful that you have taken advantage of that opportunity. The title of "The Lutheran Hour" may be a little misleading as most of these worthwhile messages are about 20 minutes in length. So while you are waiting for an appointment, traveling to a friend or relatives' house, or just soaking up some sun, try 800-876-9880 for some inspiration.

CLARIFICATION

During the course of the congregation's recent Call process, some statements have circulated that have caused offense. In the interest of providing clear and accurate information, the leadership of Christ Lutheran Church offers the following clarification.

- **Pastor Andy's doctoral education was not funded by Christ Lutheran Church, and**
- **Pastor Andy has not filed a lawsuit against the congregation.**

We encourage members and friends of the congregation to seek information directly from congregational leadership if questions arise, so that accurate information may be shared.

In Christ,

Dave Rose

Congregational President

Happy Birthday Anniversary

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| 01 Margaret Wall | 02 Carol & Don Miller |
| 04 Don Miller | 07 Rick & Patrice Morris |
| 04 Carol Harris | 30 Fred & June Tidwell |
| 05 Dana Hiller | |
| 16 Jim Bruhn | |
| 18 Daryl Calhoun | |
| 23 Ray Williams | |
| 24 Steve Hoffman | |
| 26 Joan Shade | |
| 27 Joyce Chovan | |
| 28 Carol Schreffler | |
| 30 Linda Davis | |

Call Committee Update

Members of the CLC's Call Committee send this note of appreciation to our church family and thank you for your continuous support, your sharing of words of encouragement, your patience, as well as prayers throughout the entire call process. Committee members, representing both the contemporary and traditional worship services, invested an extraordinary amount of time ensuring that our activities complemented guidelines established by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod as well as the seven priorities approved by our congregation.

A special thank you is extended to Pastor Ray Rogers who assisted with the drafting of our comprehensive church profile document as well as our members who reviewed and approved it on October 13, 2024. A copy of this document and a synopsis highlighting key information were shared with the pastoral candidates who chose to participate in our call process. Its content included brief information chronicling our church history, worship styles and traditions, public outreach activities, community demographics, general data about Seaford, as well as our extensive public outreach activities. We also thank our church secretary, Lynn Flury, for duplicating and printing documents,

as well as including "Committee Updates" in monthly newsletters and weekly announcement sheets.

More than 100 congregants attended the two meet-and-greet sessions held for the two qualified pastoral candidates who expressed great interest in participating in the final phases of our Divine Call process. A special "Thank You" is extended to all involved with its coordination, preparation of food, creation of table decorations, and the fellowship which followed.

The Committee also extends a "Thank You" to congregants who participated in the Divine Call Worship Service, where members voted for our new pastor after prayerful consideration led by the Holy Spirit, as well as to those who attended the Installation Service of Rev. Donn Woolweber. Committee members also appreciated the special songs selected by Denise Crothers and sung by the Praise Team as well as the anthem directed by Roy Lambertson and sung by our choir. Another note of thanks is extended to all those who prepared and served food after the installation service, especially Carol Schreffler and her many assistants who prepared the food, set-up and decorated tables, and created a blessed fellowship environment for congregants and visiting pastors.

As chair, I want to personally thank our Church Council who entrusted the Call Committee with the awesome task of fulfilling the call process procedures established by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It was my honor and privilege to work with Dave Rose, Valla Klettke, Jean Jacobson, Susan Calhoun, Carl Boone, Dale Odenwelder, and Doug Halfmann.

With the completion of the call process, our church family entered into a season of new beginnings. Together, we will be able to serve the spiritual needs of our congregation, continue our public outreach, invite neighbors to church, and share the Gospel in our daily activities. May God continue to bless the family of Christ Lutheran Church and our new pastor, Rev. Donn Woolweber and his wife Debbie.

April 2026

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◀ Mar 2026				April 2026				May 2026 ▶	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
			1 7 pm Choir Practice	2 7 pm Maundy Thursday Service	3 6 pm Good Friday Service	4			
5 8:30 am Praise Service w/Communion 9:45 am Easter Brunch 11:00 am Traditional Service w/Communion	6 11 am Friends Supporting Friends 7 pm Council Meeting	7	8 7 pm Choir Practice	9	10 Office Closed	11 10 am BSSP 6:30 pm Bunco			
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