

**Welcome to Worship with Holy Communion**  
**Easter Season**



**Bringing Christ To All People**  
**Today And Every Day**

## **GATHERING TOGETHER**

**WELCOME** - Make a special effort to welcome our visitors!! Christ Lutheran Church is a weapon, smoke, vape and tobacco free church and campus. We share Joys, News, and Concerns.

### **PRELUDE**

*We take a quiet moment to prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.*

**GATHERING HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM** - Stand As You Are Able

### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**[P]** The grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of GOD our Father, and the communion of The Holy Spirit be with you all!

**[C]** And also with you!

### **CONFESSION**

**[P]** Blessed be The Holy Trinity, ✠ One God, by whose mercy we are given new birth in Jesus, by whose grace we are given new life in Jesus!

**[C]** Amen!

**[P]** Joined to Jesus in the Body of Christ, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of His new creation. Let us give thanks for Jesus' forgiveness, grace, and mercy, and confess our sins!

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

**[P]** God our Father,

**[C]** Holy and Merciful, Holy and Mighty, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, you are our river of eternal life, you are our everlasting wellspring. Through Jesus' forgiveness, grace, and mercy, you free us from evil, sin, and death, and raise us to eternal with Him, the firstborn of the dead. Our old life is washed away, and in Jesus we are born again. Through the power of The Holy Spirit, cleanse us from our sin and all that separates us from you, and empower our witness to the salvation we receive in Jesus' death and resurrection. Amen!

**[P]** Merciful God our Father, you gave your only Son Jesus to suffer death on His cross for our redemption, and by His glorious resurrection you deliver us from the power of evil, sin, and death. Through the power of The Holy Spirit, continue to embolden us to serve Jesus and His ministries and missions, strengthen our resolve in delivering His freedom, justice, and peace for all of your people and world, and make us Jesus' instruments of His reign, offering His healing, wholeness, and salvation through our actions, words, and deeds!

**[C]** Amen!

## **SHARING THE WORD**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**[P]** Let us pray!

**[C]** God our Father, we no longer look for your Son Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and is our Lord of eternal life. Through the power of The Holy Spirit, continue to increase in our hearts, minds, and souls the crucified and risen life we share in Jesus, and grant that we grow as His people toward the fullness of His eternal life with you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and The Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen!

## **PRAYER FOR THE WORLD**

**[P]** Let us pray!

**[C]** Let us pray for all victims of any forms of violence, terror, human trafficking, and all displaced peoples; all victims of ethnic, racial, gender, sexual, political, and religious discrimination and violence; all victims of natural disasters or human made disasters; all victims of war or warlike activity, conflict, oppression and strife including in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Syria, Ukraine, and Yemen. Gracious GOD our Father of healing and wholeness, through the power of The Holy Spirit, bring relief in every way you see fit for those impacted by natural disasters, human made disasters, conflicts, persecutions and wars. Empower all peoples to reach out to those impacted through the healing power of Jesus Christ. GOD our Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, we admit our human frailties and recognize we live in a fallen creation. Restore us each and every way as you see fit so that your will is done. In Jesus' Holy Name we pray. Amen!

## **SCRIPTURE HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM**

**GOSPEL** - Stand As You Are Able

**SERMON**

**APOSTLES' CREED** - Stand As You Are Able

**[P]** Living together in faith, trust, and hope, let us confess our faith together!

**[C]** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by The Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in The Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

## **THE BANQUET**

### **COMMUNION LITURGY**

**[P]** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened His arms to all.

- In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

- Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

- Remembering, therefore, His death, resurrection, and ascension, we await His coming in glory.

- Pour out The Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of The Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever!

**[C]** Amen!

## LORD'S PRAYER - SING

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** Come to the Banquet, for all is now ready!

**C** Thanks be to God!

*All Baptized Christians who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome at the Lord's Table. We receive His continuing forgiving presence in our lives, along with His mercy, salvation, and promise of eternal life. You are also invited to come forward for a blessing. Pick up a communion wine cup from the cup stand. Receive the host bread from the Communion Assistant and the wine from the Pastor. Tell the Communion Assistant if you prefer gluten-free bread and the Pastor if you prefer grape juice. Return your used cup to the tray from the Communion Assistant.*

### HOLY COMMUNION HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

#### TABLE BLESSING

**P** The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace now and forever!

**C** Amen!

### THE SENDING

**BLESSING - SING** - Stand As You Are Able

**C** Blessed be the Name of the Lord; He is worthy to be praised and adored; So we lift up holy hands in one accord, singing, "Blessed be the Name, blessed be the Name, blessed be the Name of the Lord!" We are Jesus strong! Amen!

### SENDING HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

#### FINAL SENDING

**P** Continue to bring Christ to all people today and everyday! Go in Peace! Share the good news!

**C** We will with thanks to GOD! Amen!



# LESSONS & FINANCIALS

Third Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2023



**Worship Services**  
with Holy Communion  
At 9:00am & 10:30am

**Christ Lutheran Church**  
15699 SE 80th Avenue  
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*Bringing Christ To All People Today  
And Every Day*

## **GOSPEL: St. Luke 24:13-35**

**L** The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, Jesus is revealed through The Holy Scriptures and in the breaking of bread.

**L** Jesus is crucified and risen! Alleluia!

**C** Jesus is crucified and risen indeed! Alleluia!

**L** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24th chapter.

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

**L** <sup>13</sup>Now on that same day when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene, two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup>He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, "Were not our hearts

burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**L** Jesus is crucified and risen! Alleluia!

**C** Jesus is crucified and risen indeed! Alleluia!

**L** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

## FIRST LESSON: Act 2:14a, 36-41

**L** Today's lesson is the conclusion of St. Peter's sermon preached following the granting of The Holy Spirit to Jesus' apostles on the Day of Pentecost. The center of St. Peter's preaching is the bold declaration that God the Father has made the crucified and risen Jesus both Lord and Christ (Messiah).

**L** <sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: <sup>36</sup>"Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." <sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" <sup>38</sup>Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

I will call on the name of the LORD. (Ps. 116:13)

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has <sup>1</sup>heard my voice,  
and listened to my <sup>1</sup>supplication,

<sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given <sup>1</sup>ear to me  
whenever <sup>1</sup>er I called.

<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave <sup>1</sup>came upon me;  
I came to <sup>1</sup>grief and sorrow.

<sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name <sup>1</sup>of the LORD:  
"O LORD, I pray you, <sup>1</sup>save my life."

<sup>12</sup>How shall I re- <sup>1</sup>pay the LORD  
for all the good things God has <sup>1</sup>done for me?

<sup>13</sup>I will lift the cup <sup>1</sup>of salvation  
and call on the name <sup>1</sup>of the LORD.

<sup>14</sup>I will fulfill my vows <sup>1</sup>to the LORD  
in the presence of <sup>1</sup>all God's people.

<sup>15</sup>Precious in your <sup>1</sup>sight, O LORD,  
is the death <sup>1</sup>of your servants.

<sup>16</sup>O LORD, truly I<sup>1</sup> am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me<sup>1</sup> from  
my bonds.  
<sup>17</sup>I will offer you the sacrifice<sup>1</sup> of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name<sup>1</sup> of the LORD.  
<sup>18</sup>I will fulfill my vows<sup>1</sup> to the LORD  
in the presence of<sup>1</sup> all God's people,  
<sup>19</sup>in the courts of<sup>1</sup> the LORD's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah!

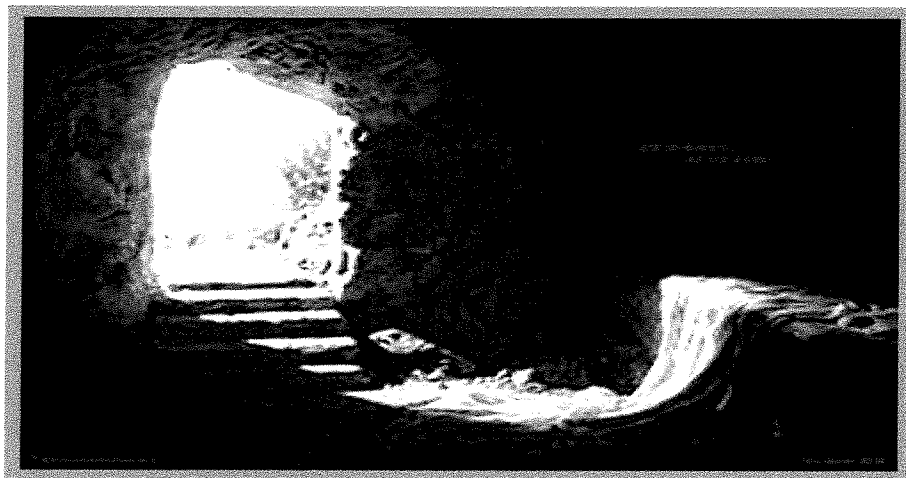
## SECOND LESSON: 1 Peter 1:17-23

**L** The imagery of exile is used to help the readers of this letter understand that they are strangers in a strange land. Christians no longer belong to this age. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus we belong to God our Father, so that our focus, faith, and hope are no longer on such things as silver or gold.

**L** <sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. <sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup>You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS for 04/23/2023 BULLETIN

	<u>Operating Funds</u>	<u>Capital Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
Balance @ 01/01/23	\$ 82,940	\$ 42,714	\$ 125,654
YTD Income	\$ 126,954	\$ 1,000	\$ 127,954
YTD Expenses	\$ 99,639	\$ 9,310	\$ 108,949
Balance @ 04/16/2023	<u>\$ 110,255</u>	<u>\$ 34,404</u>	<u>\$ 144,659</u>

<b>Offering for 04/16/2023</b>		
Operating Fund		\$ 3,940
Loose		\$ 34
Mortgage Fund		\$ 453
Capital Fund		\$ -
Designated Giving:		\$ 1,052
- Food For The Poor	\$ 190	
- Salvation Army	\$ 75	
- Lutheran World Relief	\$ 35	
- FMSC	\$ 677	
- Columbarium	\$ -	
- ELCM Missions	\$ 75	
- Flowers	\$ -	
<b>Total Offering</b>		<u><b>\$ 5,479</b></u>
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<b>Net Proceeds: MLK Team (FMSC project)</b>		<b>\$ 11,604</b>



## **CHURCH INFORMATION & EVENTS-April 23, 2023**

**Meetings-Tuesday, April 25-Pastor's Support Group, 2pm. Michele Harney, Admin. Assist., 352-307-6900.**

**Travel Presentation**-Join Rosemary Ganci and Kimberly Foy of Collette Travel for a special presentation on **THIS Tuesday, April 25 at 11:00am** in the Sanctuary. You will hear about the April 16 - 26, 2024 trip-*Greece: In the Footsteps of St. Paul the Apostle*. St. Paul was a prolific writer of the New Testament letters and one of the first Christian missionaries. This 11 day trip traces St. Paul's journey through the ancient cities and pastoral country sides of Greece and Turkey. Pick up a brochure on the table in the Fellowship Hall. **Rosemary Ganci, Coordinator, 352-307-5952.**

**Dad's for a Day**-Kipp Hayes is joining us on **NEXT Sunday, April 30 at 9am & 10:30am** to talk about this program. He is the Founder and Executive Director. Mr. Hayes has been a mentor for 15 years, and is very active at Lake Weir Middle School. This is a youth mentoring program based on Faith, Biblical Principles, and Volunteers. **Alan Gouge, Coordinator, 352-233-7217.**

**CLC Logo Jewelry**-We have Sterling Silver Charm Pendant Necklaces \$60 & Earrings \$40. This is a Fundraiser for Feed My Starving Children, **Pastor Dave Connell, Coordinator, 352-804-3054.**

**Spaghetti Dinner**-Fundraiser for Feed My Starving Children, Friday, May 12. Tickets now on sale. See insert for info. Questions **Rosemary Ganci, MLK Chair, 352-307-5952.**

**Feed My Starving Children**-The net proceeds collected to date are \$11,604 + \$1,799 (funds from 2023 meal pack) which totals \$13,403 towards our \$35,000 goal. If you go to either of the following sites you can track the money raised. The goal is lower because the additional expenses such as fork lift and tables etc, is not included in the web locations. 1. short URL: [give.fmssc.org/summerfield](https://give.fmssc.org/summerfield) or 2. URL: <https://give.fmssc.org/campaign/2401-153ea-summerfield-fl-christ-lutheran/c475461>  
**Rosemary Ganci, MLK Chair, 352-307-5952.**

**Sewing Circle**-The sewers made totes. These totes are a Fundraiser for Feed My Starving Children. **Stop by and get one. They are \$15 or two for \$25. Questions Cindy Koebernick, Sewing Circle Co-chair, 937-361-5476.**

**The Rock**-The Rock serves Lake Weir Middle School, in the school. Clothing, shoes, and hygiene products including feminine products are still in great demand. They are still in need of hoodies, sweatshirts, any size girls tops, and boys shorts. Meal items, such as canned meat, spaghetti, mashed potatoes, rice and beans and mac and cheese are always welcome. **Volunteers are needed. Questions call Louise Soltys, The Rock Coordinator, 615-559-8409.**

**Flowers**-The florist has increased the Altar arrangements price. It is now \$42 and \$10 delivery fee. If you would like to defer the delivery fee that is an additional \$10, but is at your discretion. **Michele Harney, Admin. Asst., 352-307-6900.**

**Genealogy Ministry**-Have you wondered about your Parents/Grandparents origins? Maybe I can help. I can do the research as a fund raiser for the CLC mortgage fund. I have done 80 Family histories in the last 30 years, 18 for congregation members since 2017. I recently traced one member's history back to 1550! **Bill Daimler, Coordinator, 352- 307-6754, See me after Worship on Sundays.**

**Feed My Starving Children**-Bake sale continues Sundays April 23 &30. Sign Up Sheet on table in Fellowship Hall. Questions **Sharon Avery, MLK team, 352-288-1943.**

## CURRENT FUNDRAISERS

**Seasonal Dollar Game**-The current letters for the money game FUNdraiser are “G” for God and “E” for Easter. Place bills with the specific letter at the beginning or end of the serial number in the offering plates. **Judy Conover, Financial Secretary, 937-760-4709.**

## COLLECTIONS

**Boys and Girls Club of Marion County**-Volunteers and donations needed.

**Donations Needed:** 6 or 8 foot buffet tables to use for youth programming, 4 sets of blinds for our Silver Springs Shores Club (measuring 52X72), Lysol Disinfectant Spray, Copy Paper (letter sized), Used or new PS5 or Xbox games (please, no rated M), PS4 and PS5 controllers, Paper towel and toilet paper tubes, Board Games, Hygiene products, Large Cooking Pots, Baking sheets, Construction paper, Vacuum Cleaner, Digital Camera, Karaoke Machine, Blue Tooth Headphones for use with iPad Mini - full ear coverage, Gas/Fuel Gift Cards, Publix, Target, Walmart, Lowes Gift Cards, Disposable Table Cloths. Contact us at 352-690-7545 or [admin@bgcofmarion.com](mailto:admin@bgcofmarion.com) for more information. We are always looking for volunteers to assist with homework, share skills and hobbies, such as sewing, cooking, gardening, etc. We often have cleaning, general maintenance and clerical volunteer opportunities during non club hours. Volunteer orientation held on the last Tuesday of every month. 800 SW 12th Ave, Ocala 1pm - 2pm. RSVP at [admin@bgcofmarion.com](mailto:admin@bgcofmarion.com). \*Volunteer Orientation required for all volunteers working with youth. Contact April Savarese at 352-690-7545 or [asavarese@bgcofmarion.com](mailto:asavarese@bgcofmarion.com) for more information on how you can help with this year's event.s **Our mailing address is:** PO Box 4109, Ocala, FL 34478, [admin@bgcofmarion.com](mailto:admin@bgcofmarion.com). The Bourbon in the Barn event had 132 guests and raised \$75,000. Questions-**Trudy Bruner, Coordinator, 407-496-9518.**

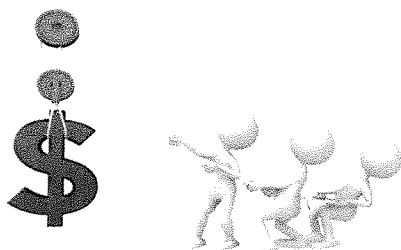
**St. Theresa Roman Catholic Church Food Pantry**-At this time we are in need of any kind of pasta, rice (including those in ready prepare bags, Rice A Roni etc), boxed potatoes, canned fruit, soup and any pop-top items. Be sure to check the expiration date. From July 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2022 our Soup Kitchen Food Pantry served 35,316 family members. The month of February 2023 brought 5,205 guests to the Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry. Questions-**Kay Bertzyk, Coordinator, 352-246-2495.**

**Cell Phones Needed**-Old cell phones with chargers for Ocala Domestic Violence Center and The Sexual Abuse Center. Amazon Wish List: <http://amazon.ocacsi.com>. You can go directly to that site and it will tell you what they need and you can order right from there. You may also donate by phone: 352-351-4009 ext. 109, Mail: Creative Services, Inc., PO Box 2193, Ocala, FL 34478. See list above. Items may still be brought to the Church. **Pastor Dave Connell, CLC office, 352-307-6900.**

**Interfaith Shower Ministry in Ocala**-We are collecting items for Interfaith to support their Saturday afternoon shower ministry for the homeless. We are currently collecting supplies: bath towels and wash cloths, men's socks and underwear, personal and full size shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, deodorant, tooth brushes, and tooth paste, and men's shoes. So far our Congregation has donated 1334 bags and boxes of supplies!!! Please mark items Shower Ministry. **Susan Blusewicz, Interfaith Shower Ministry Co-coordinator, 352-674-9434, Carol McCormick, Interfaith Shower Ministry Co-coordinator, 352-217-0506.**

**Interfaith Free Clinic Medical Center**- needs any Over The Counter medicines that are NOT opened and NOT expired. Cold medicine, cough drops, regular aspirin and low dose aspirin are needed too. NO RX MEDS. **Michele Harney, Administrative Assistant, 352-307-6900.**

**We acknowledge a gift to the Mortgage Fund:**



**Altar Flowers Are Given To The Glory of God  
&  
In Loving Memory of Loved Ones  
By: Ruth Schraven**



**We express Christian Sympathy to the family and friends of:**



## PRAYERS

### **Pray - Council, Ministry Team Leaders / Teams, and Parishioners - Today**

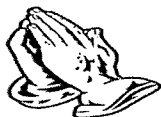
**for:** Ray & Donna Russell; Pr. Chpl. Chris Salerno; Darrell & Mary Schulte; Bob & Linda Scholfield; Mark Schraven; Ruth Schraven; Millard & Artise Seip; Mike & Carol Sennello; Bob & Sue Setera; and all baptized, confirmed, married, memorialized, new parishioners, and all at Christ Lutheran Church.

**Give Thanks - Healing:** Mel Acles (right lower leg wound care rehab - OK); Lynn Brannon (M. Klee's brother - internal cancer removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Brigitte Chandler (facial nose squamous cell cancer removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Pr. Dave Connell (facial left cheek basal cell cancer removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Linda Dieckmann (G. Havens' & C. Korpics' friend - heart aorta valve replacement repair surgery rehab - OK); Carol Gibson (internal health issues 1<sup>st</sup> of 2 iron infusion therapy rehab - OK); Alan Gouge (heart health issues heart monitor test results - OK); Janet Hohenberger (internal health issue repairs surgery rehab - OK); Marj Klee (3<sup>rd</sup> right eye retina repair surgery rehab - OK); Cindy Koebernick (pneumonia rehab - OK); Janice McClelland (internal health issues next steps - medication rehab - OK); Bob Setera (chest pacemaker area infection antibiotic pill therapy rehab - OK); Martha Smith (C. Korpics' friend - stroke rehab - OK); and Claire Vandiver (post-fractured right femur repair surgery rehab - OK).

**Pray - Parishioners (short term):** Walt Baney (right arm basal cell cancer removal repair surgery 4/24; facial right cheek basal cell cancer removal repair surgery pending); Kay Bertzyk (back spinal discs repair surgery rehab); Terry Brentson (heart health issues test results pending); Nancy Canis (ongoing back & hips pain next steps w/Dr. 4/24); Betty Coloe (facial left temple biopsy results pending); Bob Conover (back spinal discs pain next steps pending); Dorothy DeBout (pneumonia, internal, & heart health issues rehab - The Villages Hosp. # 3100; internal cancer radiation therapy pending); Robert Ellis (both eyes cataracts removals repair surgeries pending); Al Fernandez (internal health issues MRI test results & next steps w/Dr. 5/10); Kay Ford (back spinal discs pain next steps w/surgeon Dr. pending); Carol Gibson (internal health issues 2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 iron infusion therapy rehab 4/24); Michele Harney (mouth upper tooth / bone / sinus infection rehab & cat scan pending); Elizabeth Henebry (fractured right ankle repair surgery rehab); Ed Israel (facial forehead cancer removal repair surgery rehab); Pam Jamieson (internal cancer radiation therapy rehab); Buck Kelly (right eye cataract removal repair surgery 5/2; left eye pending; multiple internal pain health issues rehab); Marilyn Nardolillo (internal cancer chemotherapy rehab; MRI results w/Dr. 5/24); Perry Olyer (right shoulder torn rotator cuff repair surgery rehab); Phyllis Russell (right knee replacement infection knee replacement removal repair surgery & add'l plastic surgery rehab; both eyes macular degeneration shot therapy rehab); Bob Setera (bronchitis rehab; right wrist carpal tunnel repair surgery pending); Sue Setera (bronchitis rehab); John Simmons (internal cancer removal repair surgery rehab); Louise Soltys (internal cancer chemotherapy rehab); Art Tibaldi (facial nose & left wrist basal cell cancer removal repair surgery rehab); Elsie Tibaldi (back & legs pain therapy rehab); Ann Trenary (right leg wound care & vein blockages repair surgery rehab); and Belinda Williams (internal health issue next steps pending - Mayo Clinic).

**Pray - Parishioners (long term - hospital):** No one.

**Pray - Parishioners (long term - Hospice):** No one.



**Attendance: 9am:** 87

**10:30am:** 51 **Total:** 138

**Face Book: Live-9am-** n/a **10:30am-**n/a

**Face Book: Recorded-9am-** n/a **10:30am-**n/a

**You Tube View-** 39

### **LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Acts 2::42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

**Gospel-**St. John 10:1-10

## What Lutheran World Relief is doing with your donations to support to survivors of the earthquakes in Turkey.

We are bringing our decades of experience responding to humanitarian crises together with the expertise from across our Corus International family to care for children, women and men devastated by the quakes. As of February 25, 2023, according to the Turkish Disaster and Emergency Management Authority (AFAD), more than 130,000 buildings have been destroyed or damaged, and more than 500,000 people citizens have been evacuated from the affected provinces of Kahramanmaraş, Gaziantep, Şanlıurfa, Diyarbakır, Adana, Adıyaman, Osmaniye, Hatay, Kilis, Malatya, and Elazığ. More than 1.9 million people are sheltering in temporary or short-term housing, including tents, containers, dormitories, hotels, public guesthouses and other facilities. Emergency Response to date: We have deployed members of our Humanitarian Action team to Turkey to support response operations and are coordinating with local organizations, UN agencies and other international humanitarian organizations to ensure aid is delivered effectively, without duplication, and meeting most urgent needs. Our Humanitarian Action conducted rapid assessments in Kilis, Islahiye, Nurdagi and Antakya and found that earthquake survivors are most in need of shelter, food, hygiene supplies, toilets and bathing facilities and basic household items. The needs assessments are informing our response activities.

### Response activities:

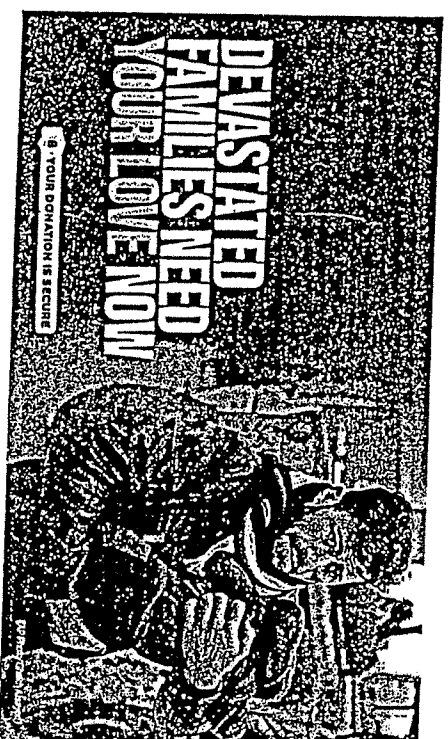
Providing shelter and support for earthquake survivors whose homes were destroyed or badly damaged: In Kirikhan, a district in Hatay Province extremely hard hit by the quakes, we are supporting the development of a pre-fabricated container housing community. The units are designed to shelter families for up to three years. This longer-term, secure housing is especially critical for the safety of women and children. We are supporting at least 35 units in the 500-unit community. Each unit has running water and includes two rooms, a cooking area and a bathroom with a shower and toilet. Additionally, we are working with our local partner to supply all 500 families living in the container community with emergency hygiene packages and monthly food packages. The hygiene packages are expected to include liquid soap, shampoo, hand and bath soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, toilet paper, wet wipes, feminine hygiene products, dishwashing detergent, laundry detergent, dish sponge, diapers, and nail scissors. The food packages are expected to include sunflower oil, rice, bulgur, lentils, beans, chickpeas, barley noodles, pasta, tea, sugar, ready soup, tomato paste, salt, olives, crackers, tahini, and molasses. Supplying food, clothing and essential supplies. We airlifted urgently needed supplies including tents, tarps, winter clothing and solar lights. An initial shipment arrived in Turkey on February 20. We are also coordinating with partners to distribute ready-to-eat food, health and hygiene kits, feminine hygiene kits and baby care packages including diapers, formula, and bottles.

We are preparing to ship LWR Quilts, Baby Care Kits and Personal Care Kits. We will expand our response to reach more earthquake survivors as we secure additional funding. We expect to support primary health care delivery, psychosocial counseling and protection activities for earthquake survivors in short-term and temporary housing camps. We also expect to provide additional hygiene services, including supplying clean water and toilets.

For neighbors like Onur and Feride Ailkgöz and their children — whose home in Kirikhan collapsed on February 6 aid and care couldn't come soon enough.

Feride asked us to tell you, "God bless you all ... and everyone who thinks of us, those who aim to help us, support us from outside."

You are embracing our fellow children of God, like Onur and Feride and their family, and showing them that they are loved. Thank you. We will continue to send you updates from our team as we get them. Thank you for opening your heart to children, women and men in crisis in Turkey and around the world. You walk alongside our global neighbors, helping them endure immediate hardships and easing their suffering. Daniel Speckhard CEO Corus International (LWR is member)



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BY MAIL: Make checks payable to Lutheran World Relief Write "Turkey/Syria Earthquake" on your check's memo line and send to: Lutheran World Relief

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Baltimore, MD 21297

The Big Red Bus-The Next Blood Drive is Sunday, April 30, 2023  
from 8am-12:30pm. 12 people tried to donate on March 5, 2023. 9 were actual-

ly able to donate. Not only does giving blood provide life-saving benefits for the recipients, donating blood also benefits the donor by improving liver and heart health (reduces heart attack by 88% and lowers stroke risk by 32%), burning calories (1 pint burns 650 calories), enhancing new blood production to maintain good health, reducing cancer risk, and providing free health screening. You may also make an appointment to donate by Text to: Hero to 63928, online to [www.oneblood.org](http://www.oneblood.org), or call 888-936-6283. Be sure to eat a 600 calorie meal before donating blood. If you have an appointment please check in at the bus when you arrive. Cindy Kelly, Social Ministry Chair, 440-221-4027.

**Worship on Facebook & YouTube-**You can view it live or recorded on Facebook, and recorded on YouTube. Please go to our website and click the Facebook or YouTube button. If you are Worshipping from home remember the Bulletin is available in the Download area of the website. You may print it from there, or just read along. Hymn numbers are also listed. Questions call Michele Harney, Administrative Assistant, 352-307-6900.

**Turkey/Syria Earthquake-Lutheran Disaster Response** has been active in this region for several years, partnering with ACT Alliance, the Lutheran World Federation and the Middle East Council of Churches to accompany Syrian refugees and internally displaced people with food, water, shelter, health services and sanitation support. The epicenter of one earthquake lies near Turkish provinces that host hundreds of thousands of Syrian refugees, which will only exacerbate the refugee crisis in the region. Your gifts designated for "Middle East Crisis" will be used entirely (100%) to provide long-lasting support for those whose lives have been impacted by disasters in the region.

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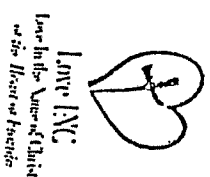
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**National & Worldwide Disasters-People everywhere are in need of HELP.** Donations may be made to the following places. Please be sure to mark the memo line of your check as to where the donation is going. Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service-POB 17467, Baltimore, MD 21297, Call 410-230-2700, or Email [llrs@llrs.org](mailto:llrs@llrs.org); Salvation Army-POB 1959, Atlanta, GA 30301, or thru CLC (be sure to mark envelope clearly): Food For The Poor-Cash-[www.foodforthe poor.org/](http://www.foodforthe poor.org/) haitirelief, or AmazonSmileCharity-[www.FoodForThePoor.org](http://www.FoodForThePoor.org). If you chose this way it will ship directly there. Donations may also be made to Lutheran World Relief, 800-597-5972, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297. Michele Harney, Administrative Assistant, 352-307-6900.



GAP  
MINISTRY  
TOUR



Have you ever wondered how Love INC partners with local churches to help people? If the answer to that question is YES, then this tour is for you! Join us and learn all about how the local community comes together to transform lives! Bring a friend! Join us on the following dates:

March 21, 2023: 2-6:30pm  
April 25, 2023: 2-6:30pm  
October 10, 2023: 2-6:30pm  
November 7, 2023: 2-6:30pm

To reserve your spot call:

Dana Parker, LoveINC Director,  
352-245-8774.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER

### Fundraiser for Feed My Starving Children

Join us on Friday, May 12 from 5-7pm to  
dine-in and 4:30pm to carry out.

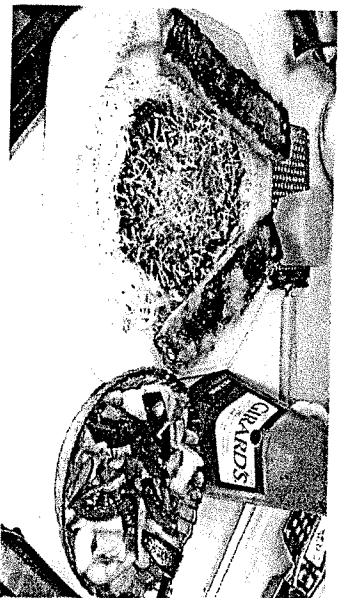
Dinner includes Spaghetti, Meat Balls,  
Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert and a Drink!

Ticket Sale Begins Sunday, April 16.  
Bring a friend. Get your ticket quick be-  
fore they sell out.

#### Questions:

Rosemary Ganci,

MLK Chair, 352-307-5952



## GIVE BACK WITH BEERS

Beefs Mulberry along with our friends at Christ Lutheran  
Church of Summerfield are joining forces in feeding our local  
families in need.

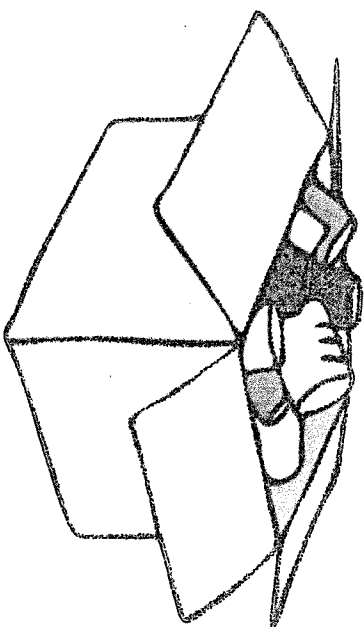
Starting Monday April 17th bring in any canned good and or  
nonperishable food item to

Mulberry Beef O Brady's.

Each item you donate will be worth 1% off your total bill.

You give, and we give! Let's all work together in making sure no  
family goes hungry.

Boxes of Cereal, Oatmeal, Boxes of Crackers, Canned Meat,  
Beans, Canned Tuna, Applesauces, Canned Fruit, Cans of Soup,  
Instant Potatoes, Canned Chicken, Popcorn, Pasta, Dessert Mix,  
Any Canned Vegetable, Rice, Flour, Sugar, Salt & Pepper, Pret-  
zels, Pudding, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, Boxed  
Mac & Cheese, Stuffing Mix, and Broth.



You receive an additional 1% off your bill for each item over 1 up  
to 20 items. Bring 20 items get 20% off your total bill!!!



# DONATE BLOOD

**Christ Lutheran Church**  
**Sunday, April 30**  
**8:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

All donors will receive\*:

- **\$20 eGift Card**
- **OneBlood T-shirt**
- **Wellness Checkup** including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

*Fact: One in three of us will need a blood transfusion.*



Appointments are encouraged, please visit [oneblood.org/donate-now](http://oneblood.org/donate-now) and use **sponsor code 10200**

Donors  
Receive



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#### ID REQUIRED

\*One offer per donor, per donation. No cash value. Not-transferable. Gifts may vary. For more information please visit [oneblood.org/details](http://oneblood.org/details).

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Share your power.



## HYMNS FOR APRIL 23, 2023

1. Just a Closer Walk With Thee ELW 697
2. Choir or Solo
3. **Communion**-A. Abide With Me ELW 629 B. Rock of Ages ELW 623
4. Jesus Loves Me ELW 595