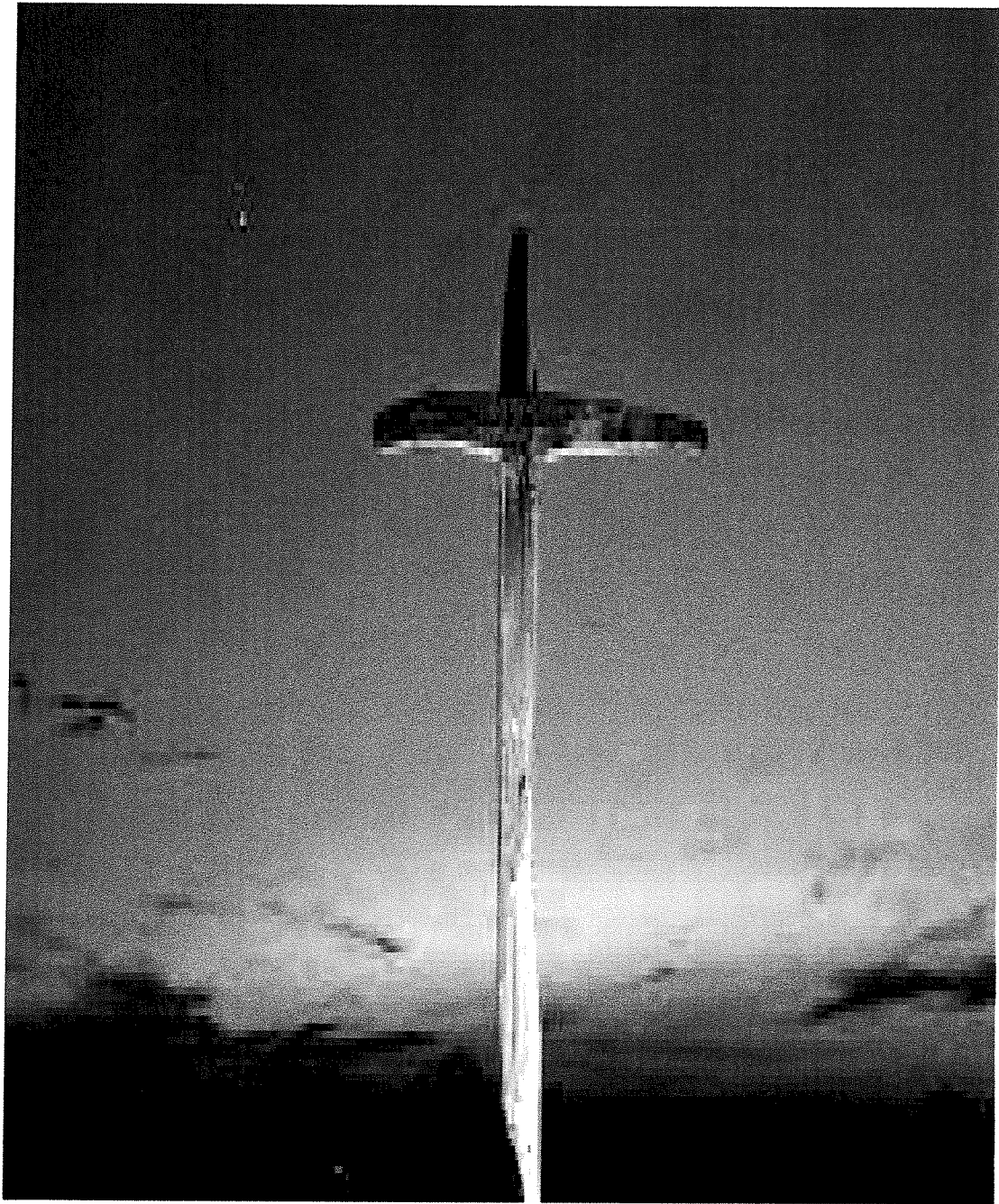


Welcome to Worship with Holy Communion
Easter Season



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] Almighty God our Father, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, is the way, the truth, and the life. Through the power of The Holy Spirit, continue to grant us Jesus' grace to love one another, to follow the way of His commandments, and to share His crucified and risen life with all your people and world, for He 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, Sudan, 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

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 14, 2023



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

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*Bringing Christ To All People Today
And Every Day*

GOSPEL: St. John 14:15-21

L In final words to His disciples on the night of His arrest, Jesus continues to teach obedience to His commandments and also teaches about The Holy Spirit, who will be with them forever.

L Jesus is crucified and risen! Alleluia!

C Jesus is crucified and risen indeed! Alleluia!

L The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 14th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

L Jesus said to the disciples: ¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

ASCENSION DAY GOSPEL: St. Luke 24:44-53

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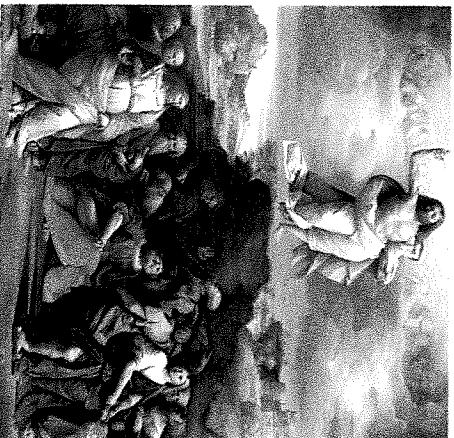
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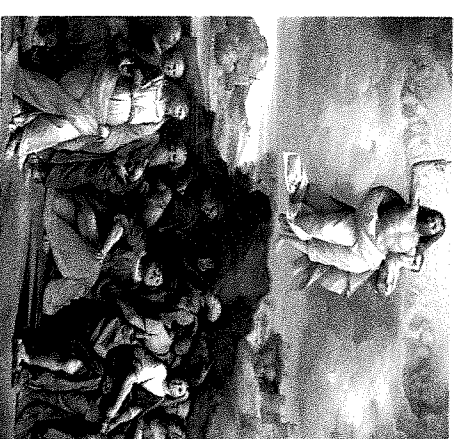
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FIRST LESSON: Acts 17:22-31

L In Athens, St. Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming Jesus' Gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. Through the power of The Holy Spirit, St. Paul proclaims that the "unknown god" whom they worship is the One True Lord God of heaven and earth who will judge the world with freedom, justice, and peace, Jesus who is crucified and risen.

L ²²Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' ²⁹Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 66:8-20

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard. (Ps. 66:8)

⁸Bless our | God, you peoples;

let the sound of | praise be heard.

⁹**Our God has kept us a- | mong the living
and has not allowed our | feet to slip.**

¹⁰For you, O God, have | tested us;
you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

¹¹**You brought us in- | to the net;
you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.**

¹²You let people ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water,
but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

¹³**I will enter your house | with burnt offerings
and will pay | you my vows—**

¹⁴those that I promised | with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.

¹⁵**I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the | smoke of rams;
I will give you ox- | en and goats.**

¹⁶Come and listen, all you | who believe,
and I will tell you what God has | done for me.

¹⁷I called out to God¹ with my mouth,
and praised the Lord¹ with my tongue.
¹⁸If I had cherished evil¹ in my heart,
the Lord would¹ not have heard me;
¹⁹but in truth¹ God has heard me
and has attended to the sound¹ of my prayer.
²⁰Blessed be God, who has not reject-¹ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing¹ love from me.

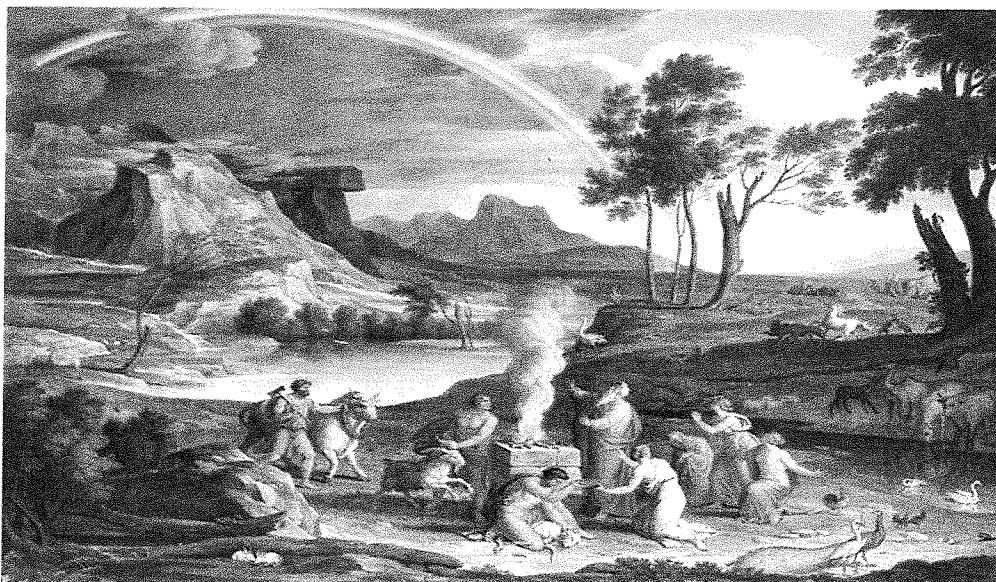
SECOND LESSON: 1 Peter 3:13-22

L The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In Holy Baptism we are freed to act in accordance with what is right.

L ¹³Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS for 05/14/2023 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	\$ 144,184	\$ 2,340	\$ 146,524
YTD Expenses	\$ 114,316	\$ 11,205	\$ 125,521
Balance @ 05/07/2023	<u>\$ 112,808</u>	<u>\$ 33,849</u>	<u>\$ 146,657</u>

Offering for 05/07/2023

Operating Fund	\$ 6,324
Loose	\$ 25
Mortgage Fund	\$ 1,156
Capital Fund	\$ -

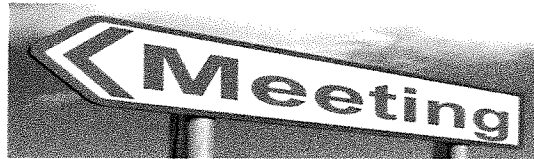
Designated Giving:	\$ 1,163
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- Food For The Poor	\$ 152
- Salvation Army	\$ 110
- Lutheran World Relief	\$ 40
- FMSC	\$ 752
- Fellowship	\$ 12
- ELCM Missions	\$ 45
- Flowers	\$ 52

Total Offering	<u>\$ 8,668</u>
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Net Proceeds: MLK Team (FMSC project)	\$ 14,014
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CHURCH INFORMATION & EVENTS-May 14, 2023



Meetings-Tuesday, May 16-Pastor's Bible Study, 2pm. Michele Harney, Admin. Asst., 352-307-6900.

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.**

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.**

Feed My Starving Children-The net proceeds collected to date are \$14,014 + \$1,799 (funds from 2023 meal pack) which totals \$15,813 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 or 2. URL: <https://give.fmssc.org/campaign/2401-153ea-summerfield-fl-christ-lutheran/c475461>
Rosemary Ganci, MLK Chair, 352-307-5952.

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.**

Footsteps of St. Paul- A trip to Greece to walk the path of St. Paul. Sign Up sheet is on table in Fellowship Hall for additional info. There is also basic info packet on the table. **Rosemary Ganci, Coordinator, 352-307-5952.**

Pie Auction-On Friday, June 2nd we are having a Pie Auction. Eat dinner, and then come to Christ Lutheran for dessert. Bring your favorite pie (homemade is preferred). Sit with your family and friends, pool your money, choose one person to bid for the table and when a pie is put up for auction bid on the pie. If your bid is successful your table gets to eat that pie. If your bid is unsuccessful, bid on another pie. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall so that we can prepare. If you have any questions see **Ken Uslabar, Coordinator, 920-540-9647.**

Baldwin Brothers Funeral & Cremation Society-Mark your calendar for Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 11:30. They will be doing a presentation on Pre-Planning Plans. **Lunch provided.** See insert for more info. Sign Up sheet in Fellowship Hall. **Questions: Rosemary Ganci, Local Outreach Coordinator, 352-307-5952.**

FMSC Chop House Basket Raffle-Raffle tickets are available for 3 for \$5, 7 for \$10, 10 for \$15. Lots of good surprises including **\$100 gift card to Chop House.** Drawing is Sunday, July 2. **Questions Rosemary Ganci, Coordinator, 267-885-8765.**

The Big Red Bus-The Next Blood Drive is **Sunday, June 25, 2023 from 8am-12:30pm.** 12 people donated on April 30, 2023. The Sign Up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall. If you have an appointment please check in at the bus when you arrive. **Cindy Kelly, Social Ministry Chair, 440-221-4027.**

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: Please contact the club for a current list. Contact us at 352-690-7545 or 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. *Volunteer Orientation required for all volunteers working with youth. Contact April Savarese at 352-690-7545 or asavarese@bgcofmarion.com for more information on how you can help with this year's events. Each location is sponsoring a different club within a club. At our Dr. H.L Harrell Sr. Youth Center and Dunnellon Clubhouse, we have a **Reading Club**. At our Dunnellon Club, thanks to a partnership with the Dunnellon Community Garden we have a “growing” **Garden Club**. At our Silver Springs Shores Club, we have a **Pokémon Club**. **Our mailing address is:** PO Box 4109, Ocala, FL 34478, 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.ocalacsi.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:

In Memory Of: Ron Beck (son) & Kristopher Martin (grandson)
By: Renee Beck

In Memory Of: Bob Brennan
By: Carolyn Korpics

**Altar Flowers Are Given To The Glory of God
&**

In Memory Of: Loretta Rozzell (Friend)
By: Terry Brentson & Charlie Stinson



We express Christian Sympathy to the family and friends of:



Johnnie Powell - Parishioner Member Earl Howell's sister not on our prayer suddenly and unexpectedly died.

Cards to:

Earl (brother) & Mary Ellen (sister-in-law) Howell & Family - 13922 SE 86th Circle, Summerfield, FL 34491.

PRAYERS

Pray - Council, Ministry Team Leaders / Teams, and Parishioners - Today for: Judy Whittock; Belinda Williams; Nancy Williams; Anne Winship; Norm & Leona Womack; Carolyn Wright; Connie Wright; Mel Acles & Jillian Herrick; Lorie Atkinson; Sharon Avery; Dean & Sue Ann Babbitt; & all baptized, confirmed, married, memorialized, new parishioners, and all at Christ Lutheran Church.

Give Thanks - Healing: Walt Baney (facial right cheek basal cell cancer removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Kay Bertzyk (back spinal discs repair surgery rehab - OK); Joyce Brennan (pneumonia rehab - OK); George Flanigan (facial left cheek basal cell cancer removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Michele Harney (sinus infection rehab - OK); Buck Kelly (right eye cataract removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Perry Olyer (right shoulder torn rotator cuff repair surgery rehab - OK); left carotid artery blockage cath 1 stent repair implant surgery rehab - OK); Sonja Rollins (heart monitor implant surgery rehab - OK); Carol Sennello (heart & internal infection health issues rehab - OK); Bob Setera (heart health issues rehab - OK); John Simmons (internal cancer removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Judi Simmons (heart arrhythmia health issues rehab - OK); and Louise Soltys (internal cancer chemotherapy rehab - complete; cat scan test results - OK).

Pray - Parishioners (short term): Sue Ann Babbitt (internal health issue next steps pending); Walt Baney (right leg artery blockages cath repair surgery rehab; left leg 6/2); Maver Becker (heart health issues & pneumonia rehab - NY rehab); Dorothy DeBout (internal health issues recurrence rehab - The Villages Hosp. ICU # 3600); Robert Ellis (both eyes cataracts removals repair surgeries pending); Al Fernandez (internal cancer next steps next steps w/1st Dr. 5/17, 2nd Dr. 5/19 - Moffitt Cancer Hosp.; internal health issue follow-up w/ Dr. pending); Martha Fernandez (right arm 2 squamous cell cancers removals repairs surgery rehab); Kay Ford (back spinal discs pain repair surgery pending - Shands Hosp.); Carol Gibson (internal health issues follow up w/Dr. 6/1); Michele Harney (internal health issue MRI 5/19 & next steps pending; mouth upper tooth & bone rehab & cat scan 5/19); Pam Jamieson (internal cancer radiation therapy rehab); Buck Kelly (left eye cataract removal repair surgery 5/25; multiple internal pain health issues rehab); Tom Koebernick (left arm infection IV antibiotic therapy rehab); Marilyn Nardolillo (internal cancer chemotherapy rehab; MRI results w/Dr. 5/24); David Reppel (brain tumor removal repair surgery rehab); Phyllis Russell (right knee replacement knee removal infection rehab; both eyes macular degeneration shot therapy rehab); Carol Sennello (internal cancer next steps pending - The Villages Hosp. # 2216); Elsie Tibaldi (back & legs pain therapy rehab); Ann Trenary (right leg wound care rehab); and Deborah Wilson (stroke rehab).

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

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

Attendance: 9am: 74
10:30am: 56 Total: 130
Face Book: Live-9am- 8 10:30am-1
Face Book: Recorded-9am-13 10:30am-3
You Tube View- 14



LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEK
Acts 1:6-14, Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11
Gospel-St. John 17:1-11

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Wednesday, May 24 - 11:30 AM



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We need the following Info:

1. Name _____
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Dale & Ann Trenary, Coordinators

The Big Red Bus-The Next Blood Drive is Sunday, June 25, 2023 from 8am-12:30pm. 12 people donated on April 30, 2023. 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, 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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Baltimore, MD 21297

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 lirs@lirs.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/hairelief, or AmazonSmileCharity-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.

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.

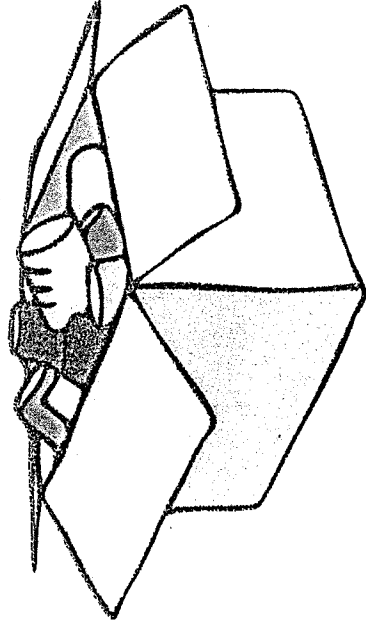
Starting Monday April 17th bring in any canned good and or nonperishable food item to

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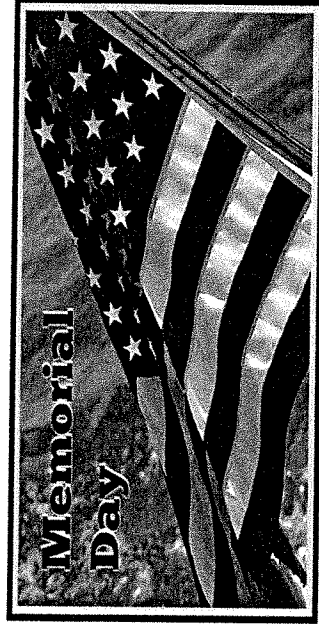
Each item you donate will be worth 1% off your total bill.

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, Pretzels, 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!!!



As chairman of the International Outreach committee here at Christ Lutheran Church, I would like each one of you to celebrate Memorial Day by:

Monday - Call someone who's alone and could use a pick-me-up.

Tuesday - Donate to a charity of your choice in honor of a loved one.

Wednesday - Take a moment to pray for someone in need.

Thursday - Shop or donate clothes to a shelter that is close to your heart.

Friday - Pray for the men and women who have served in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, and Space Force, and those who continue to serve. God Bless the U.S.A.

Saturday - Make a donation to Feed My Starving Children.

Sunday - Sign up to volunteer, then enjoy a day of rest with loved ones.

I believe that this will make many in our country feel special and appreciated, and it will also make your heart swell.

Happy Memorial Day and drive safely.

Questions: Carolyn Wright, International Outreach Chair, 415-696-4334.

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 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, 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 to ensure aid is 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 prefabricated 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, toilet dry 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 Aalkgöz 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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HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

1. Jesus Shall Reign ELW 434
2. Jesus Loves Me-Solo-Kathy Moffett
3. **Communion-** A. Let Us Break Bread Together ELW 471 **B.** Bread of Life
from Heaven ELW 474
4. I Come with Joy ELW 482