



# Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Week of 02.27.22

**MISSION STATEMENT:** To be a redeemed family of believers growing in faith and receiving God's grace, discovering unity and belonging, rooted in Jesus Christ.

## FOCUS

### The Transfiguration of Our Lord

5:30 & 8:00 Liturgy: Divine Service 4, pg 203ff

Scripture for today: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 + Hebrews 3:1-6 + Luke 9:28-36

Our theme today focuses on unity and belonging as members of God's family, rooted in Christ. "It's Time to Cross the Jordan!" is Pastor Carretto's sermon based on the Old Testament lesson

**\*\* IN 8:00 WORSHIP** – Handbells will be ringing "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring" (LSB 822), a song appropriate for today as we say farewell to Alleluias in our worship services during the upcoming Lenten season. Celebration Choir is singing a Transfiguration hymn "Jesus on the Mountain Peak" (LSB 415), and also chanting the Introit for today. The congregation will join the choir for the "Gloria Patri" section of the Introit, taken from Psalm 84.

**\*\* BAPTISM** – *James Jerrald Waller*, son of Cody and Melissa Waller, is being baptized in the 10:30 service this weekend. James was born December 27, 2021. Sponsor is Haley Petracek with Seth Osnes as witness.

**\*\* FUNERAL** – *Verna Honcik* was called to her Savior's side on February 21, 2022. Funeral service and Christian burial were held on Saturday, February 26, 2022.

*Marion Meisinger* was call to her Savior's side on February 22, 2022. Funeral service and Christian burial were held on Friday, February 25, 2022.

### ASH WEDNESDAY – MARCH 2

Holy Communion Services 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.

Lasagna Supper served by Youth 5:00-6:15 p.m.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed to help make and serve coffee on Sundays. Greeters are also needed. Please contact the Church Office if you are interested, or sign up at the Coffee Bar. This is a great way to get know more people in the congregation.

**\*\* LIBRARY BOOKS** – Books from the former Church Library are available for anyone who may be interested. Visit the first room on the left at the top of the stairs in the old school edition to see the selection. Any books remaining after March 6 will be donated to the Norfolk Rescue Mission for their annual book sale.

### **Mission Memo ... Pray for Church Workers Around the World & in our Community**

**Rev. Adam and Christine Lehman (Hannah, Noah, Abigail, and Jonah) are career missionaries serving in Puerto Rico.** Rev. Lehman serves throughout the island as a church planter, working alongside other church leaders to grow the Church in Puerto Rico. (They recently transferred to Puerto Rico after having served in Spain since 2015.) It is a tradition to have weekly gatherings to sit and talk with members and to really know how they are doing. Folks are proud of their island and are happy to share about Puerto Rico. At gatherings, people may decorate the church, prepare crafts, play a favorite game of dominos, and then have a meal. **Pray that many people will come to the gathering and learn about Jesus through the sharing of the Word by missionaries and deaconesses.**

## **BIBLE STUDIES AVAILABLE**

**\*\* MONDAYS – Join Pastor Carretto for “Bible Stories”.** You’ve read these familiar stories from the time that you were a small child. This Monday night study gives you the chance to see these stories in a new light and with new depth, one story a week! “The Rest of the Story”, Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**\*\* WEDNESDAYS – THE BIBLE** - Join Pastor Moreno from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The current focus is on “Church Denominations”.

**\*\* THURSDAYS** – “Equipped – The Armor of God for Everyday Struggles” Men’s Bible Study. 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Pastor Moreno.

**\*\* TUESDAY MORNING MEN’S BREAKFAST STUDY** takes place every other Tuesday morning, at 7:00 a.m. at First Choice Catering (1110 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street). The next study will be Tuesday, March 1. Topic: James.

### **Our Stewardship of Time**

In Worship **02/20/22** ..... 458  
Communed ..... 201

### **Our Stewardship of Treasure**

Received **02/20/22** ..... \$ 15,927

*Your generosity and continued support during this time of restrictions is greatly appreciated.*

### **Hospitalized**

Known to be hospitalized this past week:  
at FRHS – no one listed; at Clarkson/Omaha – Bernice Gnewuch. Lois Hinzman is Heritage of Bel-Air. Milford Nitz is at St. Joseph Care Center.

If you or a family member are hospitalized, please notify the Church Office.

**LIFE QUOTE:** “There’s so much work to be done, so many lives to protect. The unborn, the mentally ill, the hungry, the broken, and many others still need to hear about our hope in Christ and the love He has for us, and it’s our duty to bring it to them.” *Katie Reid, 2021 Y4Life intern* *Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*



**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

*For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.* Matthew 18:20

## **LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST**

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



### **Lutheran High Northeast**

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**\*\* THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THE SUPPORT!** - As our Winter Athletics are coming to a close, LHNE would like to say Thank You to all of the coaches, assistant coaches, student managers, our athletic trainer, pep band members, the dance team, book-keepers, referees, and volunteers who were willing to help with taking money at the gate and helping with concessions. We are also very thankful for the Booster Club’s contributions in ensuring that our students’ athletic equipment is up-to-date and that we have transportation to get to events away from home. And finally, we are very thankful to all of the parents who were willing to provide team meals and snacks for our athletes throughout the semester. We are so blessed with an abundance of caring parents, volunteers, and supporters who make things happen at LHNE every day.

**\*\* COACH NEEDED** - LHNE is currently in need of a Boys’ Golf Coach for this spring. If interested in the position, please contact the office at (402) 379-3040.

## **YOUTH FOCUS**

**\*\* VBS NEWS** – We are excited about the Summer of 2022 as we build relationships in our community. Join us as we spend time getting to know our neighbors, eat together, and have conversations. Once a week VBS coming this summer, on a playground near you. Stay tuned for more information.

**\*\* CONFIRMATION RETREAT – March 18 & 19** presented by Camp Lutheran and Norfolk Area Lutheran Churches. \$70 per student; \$30 for adult. Visit [www.campluther.org/confirmationretreat](http://www.campluther.org/confirmationretreat) for more info.

**\*\* CONFIRMATION CLASSES** - 7<sup>th</sup> grade meets at the school (Room 131). 8<sup>th</sup> graders gather in the Chapel.

**\*\* HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY** – meets at 9:15 a.m. every Sunday in Room 205 (Resource Room) at CLS.

**\*\* WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP DURING LENT** – Grades 7-12 at 7:15 p.m; parent discussion group 7:15-8:15.

**\*\* SAVE THE DATE** for these great youth activities:

- March 2- Youth serving Lent Meal (Lasagna! Yum!)
- March 6 @ 11:30- Youth Meeting for the Gathering
- March 30 - Youth serving Lent Meal with the Board of Christian Nurture.
- April 17 - Easter Breakfast
- April 24 @ 11:30- Youth & Parents

**Friends** - We have some wiggle room with possibilities of adding more kids. If you want to invite a friend, please let Cori know. It is a great way to share your faith and help friends learn about Jesus too.

**\*\* QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH EVENTS?** - Do you have a question about a youth event, or want to start receiving text notifications about our youth ministry? Email Cori Woltmann, Director of Christian Education at [cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org](mailto:cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org), or send a text @ 507-456-5380.

**\*\* PASSION DRAMA 2022** – Senior High youth ... we are looking for your help in leading the Passion Drama for our worship services during Holy Week. We will have an informational and introduction meeting following the Ash Wednesday service on March 2 (time approximate 7:30 p.m.) We need staging crew, lights/sound, and actors so we would love your help! If you are not able to attend the meeting but would like to participate, please text Elizabeth Osten at 402-750-7464 so we can keep you updated with practice information.

## **Midweek Lenten Series**

### ***In View of God's Mercy***

Lent is a season when we take a look at our lives in view of God's mercy toward us in the sacrifice of his Son for us on the cross. We, in turn, are called by God, especially during this time of repentance and reflection, to be living sacrifices for him, displaying our devotion to him in word and deed. Jesus helps us to see the richness of God's mercy in his life, death and resurrection. The services will focus our eyes of faith on the meaning behind God's mercy made manifest in Christ. Join us each Wednesday at 12:15 or 6:30 p.m. for Midweek Lenten worship. Suppers will be served by various groups from 5:00-6:15 p.m.

- March 2 – Mercy in Ashes (Joel 2:13)
- March 9 – Mercy in Temptation (1 Cor. 10:13)
- March 16 – Mercy in Suffering (1 Peter 2:23)
- March 23 – Mercy in Betrayal (1 Peter 3:11)
- March 30 – Mercy in Relationships (Ephesians 4:32)
- April 6 – Mercy in Service (Hebrews 6:10)



**\*\* REVEL AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED** - Our Revel Committee is in the process of looking for items to be donated to our annual REVEL dinner auction. Example of big ticket items we would love to have donated by individuals and/or businesses would be: grills, lawn mowers, kayaks, etc. Experiences such as cabins, timeshares or professional experiences someone could provide such as cooking, flying, etc would be wonderful donations to help with REVEL. Please contact Principal Drew Urban at [durban@clnorfolk.org](mailto:durban@clnorfolk.org) if you have an item or experience to donate.

## **PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION** *Update: Space is limited and filling up quickly!*

Looking for a preschool can be daunting. Parents are encouraged to look for a high-quality program, but what exactly does that mean? There are obvious standards of quality like appropriate teacher-student ratios, adequate and inviting spaces, and highly-trained and experienced staff.

Other things to look for are:

- Staff members who love children and take a vested interest in their lives
- Social and emotional skills are intentionally taught
- Hands-on activities are incorporated every day
- Parents encouraged to be active participants in the early learning experience

These and many other standards of quality can be found in Christ Lutheran's early learning programs. More importantly, Bible stories and truths are taught daily and we are passionate about sharing Jesus' love and forgiveness throughout the day. This combination provides an experience, second to none, at Christ Lutheran.

The preschool is accepting registrations for the 2022-2023 school year. If you, or someone you know, is looking for a high-quality, faith-based program, please contact the school office (402) 371-5536. We would love to give you a tour and tell you more about our excellent early learning programs. Registration forms are available on the website ([clnorfolk.org](http://clnorfolk.org)) or at the church, school, or childcare offices.

**\*\* CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE** - We increased our total this week to \$8.12 million dollars. If you would like to support this project, please contact the school office! Here are a few other things going on as of late with our building project.

- 1). A building committee was selected by Christ Lutheran's church council.
- 2). Our architect, Davis Design, finished their specs on the gym. The pre-engineered metal building is currently out for bid. The bidding process should take 2-3 weeks.
- 3). Our staff is starting to make decisions in preparation for demo this summer. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is moving to the 04' addition. We are cleaning out extra rooms in the 84' addition to serve as a temporary office and workroom.

**\*\* KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT DATES** - Admissions for the 2022-2023 schools year have begun! Preschool enrollment is underway and we will start having events for our Kindergarten as well. We have two open house dates for anyone considering attending CLS for Kindergarten. We will give any information you need to know about Kindergarten as CLS. We have also set our Kindergarten Round-Up times. We are expecting a big Kindergarten class so we will have three sessions. We will have parents sign up for a session once we get closer to the date. Here are the dates we have so far.

### **Kindergarten Open House**

Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:00-7:00



### **Kindergarten Round-Up**

3 Sessions: Monday, March 21  
4:00-5:00, 5:15-6:15, 6:30-7:30

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF FEBRUARY 27, 2022

Please remember the following in prayer during the coming week. You may also want to send a card or note to those on this week's prayer list to let them know they are being thought of.

- For those undergoing cancer treatments; and for their families; including: Brian Beeks, Sonia Clark, Sandy Cover, Megan Curry, Joyce Deuel, Bruce Gardels, Gail Gubbels, Bruce Hansen, Stacy (Kesting) Hart, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, Judy Hilkemann, Kellie (Hoffman) Reyes, Elaine Holmberg, Melvin Jensen, Miriam Krueger, Georgia Lambrecht, Lisa Meyer, Robert Mock, Bryan Muehlmeier, Amy Neuhalfen, Keith Neuhalfen, Tammy Peisal, Sondra Reigle, Melvin Sanders, Leon Schulz, Jay Sila, Steve Sothan, Nicholle Soukup, Gretchen Trinklein, Larry Walker, Velda Warneke, Karen Widhalm, April Wiley, Kathy Wolfe, Don Wolff, Colton Wright, Allan Zeitz.
- For those homebound, in care centers, nursing homes, suffering long-term illness; those who face tests, uncertainties about their health, undergoing surgery, or facing difficult times, including: Elizabeth Ambrose, Mike Brockhaus, Robert Daughton, Lucille Gesell, Jonathan Glaser, Timothy Hallberg, Nicole Hausmann, Craig Herpy, Joy Henkel, Melody Hulse, EllaMae Jensen, Lois Kapels, Steve Long, Lois Miller, Connie Mock, Hazel Pflueger, Renee Praeuner, Diane Pinger, Shelby Reeker, Sandy Schulz, Brayden Vodehnal, James Wagner, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, & a young girl, Taryn, & those undergoing tests/treatments.
- For the families of Verna Honcik and Marion Meisinger, called to Eternal Rest this past week.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Dee Jenkins (2/28), Vic Mann (3/1), Arlene Barritt (3/3) and Mildred Korth (3/3).
- Thanksgiving for the Baptism of James Jerrald Waller.
- We pray for all people in authority over communities and countries, all whose decisions affect the health of its inhabitants, and all who are charged to maintain justice within their borders and peace among nations.
- We pray for all who serve the Lord as they care for others – medical personnel and first responders, counselors and advisers, friends and neighbors, professionals and volunteers.
- That God would raise up a mighty army of believers who would guide our nation back to Christian principles.

**PRAYER REQUESTS & PASTORAL NEEDS – If you have a prayer request or a special need that would require pastoral care, please do not hesitate to contact the Church Office (402-371-1210). We will handle needs on an individual basis.**

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### “Expressing Your Love”

The three words “I love you” are very powerful. Love is expressed not only in words but also in action. In fact, it has been said, “Talk is cheap.” To tell someone that you love him is certainly not cheap, but love also needs to be expressed by what we do and how we act. As God's people, we convey love through our giving and serving.

In God's Word, He tells us how much He loves each of us and then proves it by giving His Son to die for us. *“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life”* (John 3:16). Jesus gave his life for us and He keeps on giving. We can demonstrate our love for Him through our giving. When we give faithfully of our time, talents, and treasures, we show our love for Jesus.

God takes love seriously. He loves us, and He expects us to love one another. Jesus said, *“Love one another as I have loved you”* (John 13:34). We express our love to Jesus when we serve those around us. Serving communicates love. *“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many”* (Mark 10:45).

The love that Jesus places in our hearts can be our fuel to make a difference not only in our lives, but in the lives of those around us. It is important to express our love as we thank God for His abundant grace, mercy, and blessing, but our words must be supported through the greater expression of our love as seen through our giving and serving as God gives us grace to do.

# FORGIVING

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# CHALLENGE

Join us in this congregation-wide experience.

Starts in March!

Saturdays

Sermon Series (5:30 pm)

Sundays

Sermon Series (8 & 10:30 am)

Sunday School (9:15am)

Adult Bible Study (9:15 am)

Wednesdays

Youth Group (Grades 7-12 @ 7:15)

Parent Discussion Group 7:15-8:15

Grab your free book in gathering  
area outside the sanctuary.  
Books for kids & adults!