



Christ Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Week of 04.24.22

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 Second Sunday of Easter

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

Scripture for today: Acts 5:12-32 + Revelation 1:4-18 + John 20:19-31

Pastor Carretto's message is "Who's Really Guilty?" based on Acts 5:12-32

**** TODAY IN WORSHIP** – Thomas had missed out. He wasn't there with the other disciples when the risen Jesus appeared that first Easter night to show them His hands and side. Thomas was absent when Jesus breathed on them with His Spirit and sent them out to proclaim His forgiveness. It's no wonder then that when Thomas heard about this encounter, he wanted to see Jesus for himself. "Unless I see, ... I will never believe," he said (John 20:25). One week after Christ's resurrection, Thomas had his opportunity. He saw. He touched. He believed. He confessed: "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28). Today is your opportunity – don't miss out! Our risen Jesus is here with his Spirit and in His body and blood. We see. We touch. We believe. We confess. As we gather in His presence for worship today, may He fill us with great joy as we continue to celebrate His resurrection victory and confess Him as our Lord and God! (Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish 2021 CPH)

**** NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP** at the 10:30 service we will celebrate the Confirmation and First Communion of our 8th Grade Confirmands. This is an important milestone in their spiritual life and we pray that these young people will continue to grow in their faith as they walk with their Lord on their journey through life.

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

Rev. Adam and Christine Lehman (Hannah, Noah, Abigail, Jonah) are career missionaries serving in Puerto Rico. (Christ Lutheran supports them this year.) Rev. Lehman expressed his joy of welcoming 5 students and two professors from Concordia University, NE, the first short-term team in two years. He comments that they were an amazingly hard-working group of women who were up to every task put in front of them in Ponce and in Mayaguez. Ashley Lehr, the short-team coordinator, organized it all and it was successful, even with a few coats of paint where needed. Rev. Lehman shared a story about a woman who has been visiting the church. She continues to come to hear the word but is hesitant to participate in activities at the church. This week she brought pizza to share with Abigail while the family cleaned up afterwards. **Please pray for Abigail's new friend. Pray that the Holy Spirit continues to work through His members to bring her into His church body.**

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 of this study is on the Scripture lessons for the upcoming Sunday, the 3rd Sunday of Easter: Acts 9:1-22, Revelation 5:8-14 and John 21:1-14

**** THURSDAYS** – "Equipped – The Armor of God for Everyday Struggles" Men's Bible Study. 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Monte Glaser.

**** TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S BREAKFAST STUDY** takes place every other Tuesday morning, at 7:00 a.m. at First Choice Catering (1110 S. 9th Street). The next study will be Tuesday, April 12.

Our Stewardship of Time

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| In Worship 04/17/22 | 907 |
| Communed | 630 |
| Maundy Thursday 04/14 | 267 |
| Good Friday 04/15 | 411 |

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Received **04/17/22** \$ 31,130

Your generosity and continued support.

Hospitalized

Known to be hospitalized this past week:
at FRHS – no listing.

At Mayo/Rochester – Maddie Carter

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

LIFE QUOTE: “Just as He did on the embryonic leg of your journey, the Lord is guiding you still. Just as He did when you cascaded down the fallopian tube, the Lord carries you still. You were created to listen to the words of the Lord. Listen to the One who knows you, who knows your entire journey.” *Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



But I call to God, and the Lord saves me. Psalm 55:16

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**** FBLA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** - 14 LHNE FBLA Members attended the State Leadership Conference last week. The students competed in competitions, which included: Business Law, Personal Finance, Advertising, Introduction to FBLA, Introduction to Financial Math, Healthcare and Administration, Yearbook, and Political Science. Students attend many seminars, had time to network with other Nebraska FBLA Members and make some new friends.

**** LHNE GRADUATION CEREMONY 2022** - On Sunday, May 8, LHNE Seniors will walk across the stage and receive their diplomas. We pray that LHNE has helped them become stronger in their faith as they embark on the next part of their life journey. The ceremony will be held at LHNE and will begin at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

**** CALLING ALL MUSICIANS** - LHNE is currently seeking candidates for a part-time music director. The position includes one period of choir and one period of band, scheduled together in the part of the school day that works for the new director. Please contact Principal Daniel Sievert if you have any interest in this position or know of anyone who would have interest.



**** PLANT SALE PICK-UP** – Thank you to all who purchased plants for the CLS Plant Sale! Pick-up times are Friday, April 29, 12 noon – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 30, 8:00 a.m. – noon at the Chuck Pohlman Ag Complex.

YOUTH FOCUS

** **SENIOR BLESSING** will take place in the 10:30 service on Sunday, May 15. Seniors mark your calendar and watch for more information on this event.

** **CONFIRMATION CLASSES** - 7th grade meets at the school (Room 131). 8th 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** - We are having a blast hanging out and spending time in God's Word at youth group. All are welcome, and bring a friend! Grade 7 & 8 is 6:30-7:30 p.m., and 9-12 is 7:45-9:00 every Wednesday.

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

- April 24 @ 11:30- Youth & Parents

** **QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH EVENTS?** - or want to start receiving text notifications about youth ministry? Email Cori Woltmann, Director of Christian Education at cwoltmann@clnorfolk.org, or text @ 507-456-5380.

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR WEEKS OF APRIL 24, 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, Cody Camenzind, 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, 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, Jim Barritt, 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, Edie Weich, Dominic Wolff, Jesse Wright, & a young girl, Taryn, & those undergoing tests/treatments.
- For Sandy Cover, undergoing surgery in Omaha on Tuesday.
- For those celebrating birthday blessings of 80 years or more including: Loren Apfel (4/24), Gorlyn Henzler (4/27), Pat Harstad (4/28) and Deon Hintz (4/29).
- For the people of Ukraine.
- 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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

**** STEPPING ON FALL PREVENTION CLASSES** – You're invited to attend Stepping on Fall Prevention Classes beginning on April 28, at the Norfolk Senior Center. The class will be held each Thursday for 7 weeks from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Classes will be instructed by Krista Snodgrass. Cost: Free will donation. Registration is required. Please call the Elkhorn Logan Valley Public Health Department at 402-529-6041 or online <https://elvphd.org/Classes-Events>.

**** WATCH PARTY** – Thrivent Member Network – Nebraska Region will be hosting a watch party: Mission Possible: "Go Create A Life That Counts, Ft. Tim Tebow". We'd love to have you join us. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., at Lutheran High Northeast, 2010 N. 37th Street.