

Christ Lutheran Church Community News

May 4, 2022

CLC Transition

Transition – Upcoming Events

Zoom session, Wednesday, May 18, 7-9 pm. Pr. Sara Anderson of the bishop's staff will analyze responses to the CAT member survey, which will help us to identify our sense of mission and the pastoral leadership that this mission requires. A link for this meeting has been sent to those who completed the survey. If you are unable to attend the Zoom session a recorded version will be available for viewing at a later time.

Saturday, May 21, 5 pm – Finding Your Why. The church will provide a pasta main dish for this dinner event. Sign up with Cathy Gallagher to bring a side dish or dessert.

Before attending, reflect on WHY you joined CLC. Did someone invite you? Or was it the Union Street location? Think deeply as to WHY you stay and WHY it is important to you.

Sunday, June 12th 11:15am- Ministry Site Profile Writing Event

This will be the final event following worship, hosted by the Transition Team, where all previous events are folded into a written document that will be handed off to the Call Committee as they begin their journey in searching for our next pastor.

Please reach out to a member of the Transition Team if you have any questions.

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Music Notes

Tom Berryman, Music Director

The CLC Bell Choir will be offering music this **Sunday, May 8**, the Fourth Sunday of Easter: for the Prelude, a setting by Jason W. Krug of the African-American spiritual *Give Me Jesus* for the Postlude: a setting by Larry Sue of the Ukrainian folk melody *On the Sea* (*Страшно бушует житейское море*).

*"While on the sea, hear the terrible roaring!
See how the boat of my life rolls with me;
In fear of death and in deepest of anguish,
Lord, hear my prayer, watch my soul on the sea."*

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Pianist, Ahoma Dam, a student of Kim Petot, will play *A River Flows in You* by Korean/British composer Yiruma during the Distribution. The song became especially popular during the *Twilight* movie series.

For the Offertory Music, the CLC Choir will sing a new anthem by composer Karen Marroli, *We Walk By Faith* as we continue our fifty day Resurrection celebration! The Henry Alford text asks *"Help then, O Lord, our unbelief: and may our faith abound to call on you and seek where you are found."*

Composer, Bob Weaver offers this note about our Easter Season Offertory Hymn, *Look, Now He Stands!* "Back in 1996, John Stendahl was the pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Amherst, MA, where Bob and Anne Weaver were members. At the time, he mentioned to Bob that he particularly loved the hymn text by George Utech, "Look, Now He Stands!" and suggested that Bob might want to set it to a new tune. Bob took up the challenge and composed the tune that we have been introducing during the Easter Season at Christ Lutheran. The tune name that Bob has given to this setting is STENDAHL, and it is dedicated to John and Suzanne and in loving memory of John's parents, Bishop Krister and Brita Stendahl. This tune was used in 2019 in an Evensong service in conjunction with a Symposium on the hymns of George Utech at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY."

Hymns on May 8:

Christ the Lord is risen today ELW 369

At the Lamb's high feast we sing ELW 362 vv 1, 2 & 8

Look, now he stands! v2

The King of love my Shepherd is ELW 502

Alleluia! Jesus is risen ELW 377 vv 1, 2 & 5



Soap maker Melissa Probst from Sweet Suds mixes ingredients at last Sunday's Earth Day workshop.

Adult Formation

CLC Book Group meets **Monday, June 6, 7:30 pm**. For this month members will read a book from their own shelves and share a brief review at this Zoom gathering. If you are new to the group, contact Marianne Swenson, mswenson10@comcast.net for the Zoom link.

CLC'S Social Justice Committee invites you to a "Community Read" of the book *Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World* by Katharine Hayhoe on **Sunday, June 12, 4 pm, in person at CLC**. The discussion is jointly sponsored by CLC Book Group and Green Reads, the environmental book group that co-hosted the Earth Day event at the church this past Sunday. Hayhoe, called "one of the nation's most effective communicators on climate change," looks at science, faith, and human psychology to identify the shared values necessary to engage in collective action. Come and meet members of the wider community outside our doors who care about creation.

Looking Ahead

Calumet's Walk the Walk 2022 Registration opens May 15

Once the Family Promise walkathon is completed in May, you can register to participate next fall in the Camp Calumet Walk. CLC walkers captained by Nadia and James Salerno will join to raise funds for our favorite camp by walking on our own and reporting our mileage to the Salernos. Get the details [here](#).

Call to Action

The Massachusetts State Senate will be voting on driver's licenses for asylees and other undocumented newcomers **this Thursday, May 5**. After 15 years of advocacy the Driving Families Forward coalition has successfully steered passage of the bill through the House of Representatives and now eagerly follows its progress in the Senate which will be voting on the legislation for the first time ever. Please email and call your legislators to tell them their "YES" vote is needed on this bill.

Family Promise Walk to End Homelessness will be held virtually May 14-15.

CLC is currently just over halfway to the team goal of \$12,000. Take the time now to join the team or donate:

<https://familypromisemetrowest.salsalabs.org/walktoendhomelessness/t/clcwalkerschristlutheranchurch/index.html>

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

May 8, 2022

First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

For the Psalm
Psalm 23

Second Reading
Revelation 7:9-17

Gospel
John 10:22-30

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