

Christ Lutheran Church Community News

June 8, 2022

CLC Transition

On Sunday, June 5th, transition team member, Lisa Eck, gave a temple talk that emphasized how the work of transition is largely descriptive, a matter of translating our shared purpose as a congregation into words. The first three events asked members of the congregation to describe Christ Lutheran Church with a focus on the past (the History event), present (the CAT survey), and future (Find your WHY event). Next Sunday, June 12th at 11:15 a.m., the fourth and final transition event is designed as a series of small group discussions over brunch, with each table having its very own notetaker or scribe. The aim of the event is to produce the raw material (i.e. descriptive talking points) the transition team will use to draft the Ministry Site Profile (MSP), which is the document the Call Committee will share with prospective candidates. The transition team will share the discussion questions with the congregation prior to Sunday and the meeting will open with the chance to edit and approve our current "Why" statement, which reads: CLC exists **"To experience love and renewal through worship and community so that we can share God's love and grace in service beyond the walls of the church."** Members who are unable to attend may submit written responses by the end of the day Sunday. A transition represents a chance to listen to one another -- come be part of this important, forward-looking, conversation!

Music Notes

Tom Berryman, Music Director

Jazz pianist, Ross Petot, will be leading the hymns and service music from the piano this **Sunday, June 12**. Our bell choirs will be playing Offertory and Postlude music. I'm on vacation for several weeks, enjoying some hiking in the Olympic National Park with Joan.

From *All Creation Sings* this Sunday:

We continue to use Liturgy Setting 12 from ACS. Our closing hymn, "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines" ACS 1087 is in uplifting gospel tradition.

Pick up a copy of ACS on your way in to worship and drop it off as you leave.

Hymns on Trinity Sunday June 12:

Canticle of Praise: I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me ELW 860
Psalm 8

Church Notes



Pastor David Hulse celebrates Pentecost. (Photo by Ruth Colson)



ELCA New England Synod Assembly will be held this June 9-11 at the DCU Center in Worcester. The title of the assembly sounds intriguing and resonates with some of our transition discussions. George Hall and Martha Cronin will be attending as CLC representatives.

Rolf Larson will be participating in a panel presentation at Synod Assembly, **Welcoming the Stranger.**

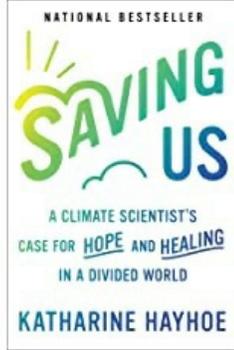
Panelists: Pastor Christian Holleck, Rolf Larson, Pastor David Rinas, Bess Sproul, Jan Steinbauer. Moderator: Doreen Rinas

Learn about sponsoring an asylum seeker, an Afghan evacuee, and a refugee, from people who have actually been doing it! Explore ways you and your congregation can be revitalized through this powerful ministry!

Adult Formation

CLC's Social Justice Committee invites you to join with the Green Reads book group in a **Community Read, Sunday, June 12, 4 pm** of the book *Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World*, by Katharine Hayhoe. We will gather outside on CLC's lawn, or inside if it rains. Come to enjoy an informative discussion even if you haven't had

a chance to read the book – there will not be a test!



CLC Book Club – A few members met on June 6 to discuss books from their own shelves. A make-up meeting is scheduled for **MONDAY JUNE 13 at 7:30 pm**. If you would like to attend and have not received a Zoom link, contact Marianne Swenson

If you can't attend on this date, our next date will be **August 8 at 7:30** to discuss *The Exiles* by Christina Baker Kline.

Call to Action

The MA State Legislature vote to override Governor Baker's veto of the Work and Family Mobility Act is still pending. The Act will allow asylum seekers and other undocumented residents to obtain driver's licenses. It passed in both houses of the legislature by large margins, so the veto override is expected to pass as well. You can help by urging your legislators to vote for the override and by contributing to [*The Driving Families Forward Coalition*](#).

Looking Ahead

Sunday June 12, 11 AM – the Transition Team will host the Ministry Profile Writing Event.

Sunday June 19, after church – CLC Second Semi-Annual Meeting. A packet of materials will be emailed to members soon. A **limited** number of hard copies will be available for those without email access

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

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First Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

For the Psalm

Psalm 8

Second Reading

Romans 5:1-5

Gospel

John 16:12-15



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