



# Christ Lutheran Church E-News

May 18, 2023

## Church Notes

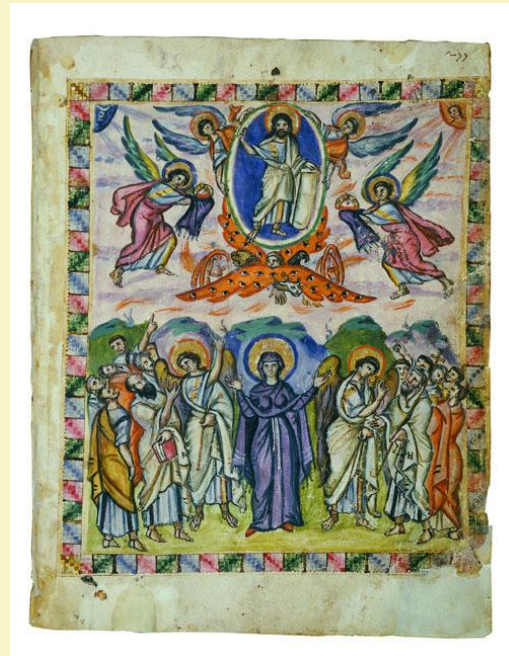
### Readings for Sunday, May 21, 2023

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

Psalm: 68:1-10 32-35

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Gospel: John 17:1-11



### Worship Assistants for Sunday, May 21, 2023

Greeters	Mary Avalos and Edie Lohr
Assisting Minister	Russell Pollard
Reader	Hilding Hedberg
Tellers	John Whitlock and Juliet Seaberg
Altar Guild	Mary Avalos and Sophia Chan

## Pastor Andrew Heisen Presiding

CLC welcomes Pr. Andrew Heisen, Lutheran Chaplain at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, to preach and preside this **Sunday, May 21**.



## CLC Calls a New Pastor!



On Sunday May 7, Pr. Christophor Gilbert led worship and preached. Immediately after the service, Associate to the Bishop Pr. Sara Anderson led a congregational meeting. Members unanimously voted to extend a call to Pr. Gilbert and approve the compensation package previously agreed on by the congregational council and Pr. Gilbert. He accepted our proposal! A festive coffee hour followed.

Pr. Gilbert's first day at CLC will be **Monday, July 10** and his first Sunday will be **July 16**.

## Music Notes

This Sunday's organ Prelude and Postlude offer excerpts from French composer Olivier Messiaen (1908-92) *L'Ascension*. Messiaen wrote *Ascension Day* in 1931 as a suite in four movements for orchestra, but was persuaded by his publisher, Alphonse LeDuc to prepare an organ edition of the suite in 1934, writing an entirely new third movement, *Transports de joie*, essentially an organ toccata. Serge Koussevitsky and the Boston Symphony frequently programmed *L'Ascension* both at Symphony Hall and at Tanglewood.

**IV. *Prière du Christ montant vers son Père*** (The Prayer of Christ ascending toward His Father)

And now, Father, glorify Me in Your presence with the glory I had with You before the world existed. I have revealed Your name to those You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours; You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. (John 17:5-7)

**III. *Transports de joie d'une âme devant la gloire du Christ qui est la sienna*** (Outburst of joy from a soul before the Glory of Christ which is its own glory)

...and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light...raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus. (Colossians 1:12 and Ephesians 2:6)

Tom Berryman  
Director musices

## Hymns for Sunday, May 21, 2023

**Canticle of Praise:** This Is the Feast (s140)  
**Hymn of the Day:** Lord, You give the Great Commission (ELW 579)  
**Offertory Hymn:** The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (ELW 531)  
**Communion Hymn:** All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly (ELW 461)  
**Sending Hymn:** Set Fort by God's Blessing (ELW 547)

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## Pastoral Coverage

CLC welcomes Pr. Andrew Heisen, Lutheran Chaplin at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, to preach and preside this Sunday.

Next Sunday, May 28, Pr. Dave Hulse covers worship one final time, but will remain available for pastoral emergencies through June.

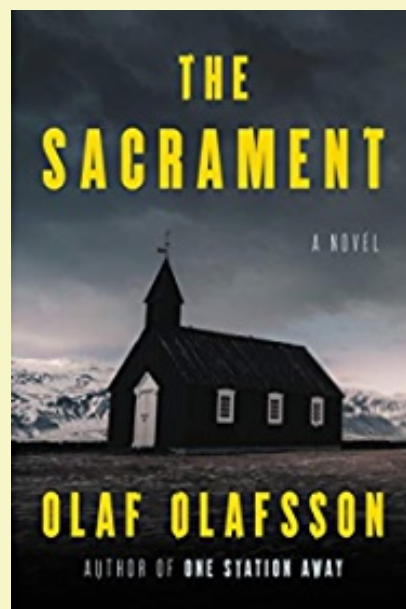
Pastor Elyse Nelson Winger, a campus minister at Tufts University, returns to lead worship on June 4, 11, and 19.

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## Book Group

The CLC Book Group will meet on **Tuesday, May 23** at 7:30 on Zoom to discuss *The Sacrament* by Icelandic writer Olaf Olafsson.

In *The Sacrament*, critically acclaimed novelist Olaf Olafsson looks deeply at the complexity of our past lives and selves; the faulty nature of memory; and the indelible mark left by the joys and traumas of youth. Affecting and beautifully observed, *The Sacrament* is both propulsively told and poignantly written—tinged with the tragedy of life's regrets but also moved by the possibilities of redemption, a new work from a novelist who consistently surprises and challenges.



## Walk to End Homelessness Results

The Family Promise Metrowest Walk to End Homelessness was a success! The walk has raised \$174,970, with some matches still coming in.

CLC was the second place team, raising \$9,390, while first place Islamic Center of Boston in Wayland raised \$12,169.

Our team leader Carol Virshbo was the third place individual walker. Congratulations!

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## Doors and Security



If you are a Fellowship Host, please make sure the doors are locked when you leave the church. The doors have recently been left unlocked leaving the church open.

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## Office Hours - Week of May 21, 2023

Monday: 8-1  
Tuesday: 8-1  
Wednesday: Closed  
Thursday: 8-1  
Friday: 8-1



## CLC on Social Media



If you have any events with church members you would like to share on our Facebook and Instagram pages, please send a 3-4 sentence paragraph and a picture to [the office](#) so we can post it.

Please be sure to like the [Christ Lutheran Church](#) page on Facebook to get all of our updates.

You can also follow us, [ChristNatick](#), on [Instagram](#).

Please invite your family friends to join us on social media.

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## Of Interest

### Calumet Walk the Walk 2023

Nadia Salerno and her son, James, will again be co-captains this year and are looking forward clocking their miles walking, biking, and swimming from **July 30 to September 16**.

Please sign up and look for our church under team congregations- Christ Natick. Use this URL to sign up. [www.calumet.org/ontheroadagain](http://www.calumet.org/ontheroadagain)  
Registration is now live!

Please email [Nadia](#) your email address once you sign up.

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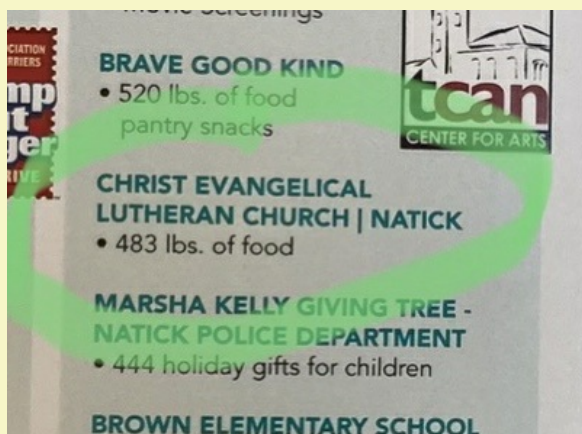
## Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief

In June, CLC will host a truck to collect quilts and kits for Lutheran World Relief. Please help us make personal care kits to include in our shipment. We will collect kits through June 4. It is helpful to bring an entire kit if possible so that we don't have extra items. You can also make a financial donation by giving cash to Celeste Larson or by writing a check to Christ Lutheran Church with "personal care kits" in the memo line. Here are the items in a kit:

- ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" and 52" x 27"), dark color recommended
- TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
- ONE adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging
- ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

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## Natick Service Council Annual Report



From the Natick Service Council annual report - our donation provided 483 pounds of food to Natick families in need in 2022.

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## Looking Ahead

- Wednesday, May 24:** Annual Meeting Reports Due
- Sunday, June 11:** Semi-Annual Meeting II after Worship
- Monday, July 10:** Pastor Gilbert's First Day
- Sunday, July 16:** Pastor Gilbert's First Sunday

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