

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Thursday, November 23, 2023

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Church News

Readings for Sunday, November 26, 2023

Click on the link for the text:

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46



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Worship Assistants for Sunday, November 26, 2023

Greeters	Robin Hurst and Sandy Smith
Assisting Minister	Edie Lohr
Reader	Alan Avalos
Communion Assistant	Celeste Larson
Tellers	John Whitlock and Ross Petot
Altar Guild	Phil Roberts and Hannele Saramo-Raja
Fellowship Hosts	Martha Cronin & George Hall and Ellen Zagajeski



Broadcast Team

Peter Miller and Phil Roberts

Cantor

John Whitlock

Music Notes

Olivier Messiaen's "Force et Agilité des Corps Glorieux" (Strength and agility of the glorified bodies), the Postlude for Sunday, November 26, the Last Sunday of Pentecost (*The Reign of Christ*), is one of seven movements in his large work for organ *Les Corps* Glorieux (1939). Messiaen was fascinated with the somewhat (to Western ears!) irregular rhythms of Indian ragas. It is only in the final few moments of the music that he moves away from notes played in octaves to large chords. Messiaen inscribes a quote from I Corinthians on the musical score:

So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in corruption.

Listen for the final disappearing gesture! Notre Dame (Paris) organist, Olivier Latry performs in the video below.



Tom Berryman Director musices



Hymns for Sunday, November 26, 2023

Gospel Acclamation: Hallelujah (ELW 173) Hymn of the Day: O Christ What Can It Mean for Us (ELW 431) Offertory Hymn: Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand (ELW 441) Communion Hymn: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (ELW 490) Sending Hymn: Crown Him With Many Crowns (ELW 855)

Last Sunday's Service Recording

Visit our *YouTube page* in case you missed last Sunday's service (11/12).

November is Native American Heritage Month



The ELCA continues to offer opportunities for us to explore our relationships with Indigenous Peoples. Find the links to join zoom presentations *here*

Tuesday November 28 at 8:00pm: Presentation: Settler

Narrative

Thursday November 30 at 8:00pm: Indigenous Thought and Theology

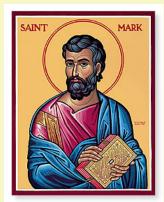
There are also many interesting and informative programs on the PBS website

The Social Justice Team encourages you to learn about our complicity as white Christians in the harms inflicted on Native Peoples and to consider how we might participate in repair and reconciliation.

Adult Education at CLC

Our return to Adult Education opportunities at CLC continues in December with a three week focus on the gospel of Mark! With the change in liturgical year that begins with Advent, we will shift from the gospel of Matthew as our orienting perspective to hearing excerpts from Mark on Sundays. We'll learn a little bit about the author of Mark's point of view as a way to listen with our whole selves to the stories offered.

December 3 - Who is "Mark"? December 10 - How do we listen to Mark? December 17 - Living a lifeof Holy urgency



The sessions will be after worship on Sunday, beginning at 11:30 AM. We are going to try and offer this session in hybrid format so everyone can be together for learning.

Folks joining online can click here to join the sessions.



CELEBRATE THE START OF ADVENT WITH CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

- SAT DEC 2 BELL CHOIR @ FRAN'S FLOWERS | 3 PM 1 WORCESTER ST, FRAMINGHAM
- SUN DEC 3 ADVENT WORSHIP @ CHRIST LUTHERAN | 10 AM 113 UNION ST, NATICK

SING ALONG @ MARY ANN MORSE | 2 PM 45 UNION ST, NATICK

TREE LIGHTING @ CHRIST LUTHERAN | 3:30 PM

Book Group

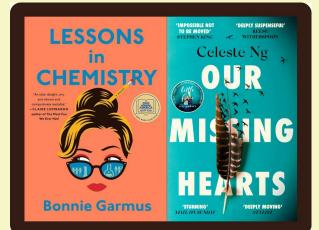
The CLC Book Group has announced their next two book reads for the community!

December 11 - *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus

January 15 - *Our Missing Hearts* by Celeste Ng.

If you don't already receive Book Group emails, contact **Marianne Swenson** for the zoom link.

Community News



NEIGHBORS

Your gift to Lutheran World Relief will deliver urgently needed support and care to innocent civilians in Israel and Gaza.

lwr.org/crisis



Thank you for sharing God's love with your neighbors when and where they need it most.

Office News

Office Hours - Week of November 26, 2023

Monday: 10-12 Tuesday: 10-12 Wednesday: Closed Thursday: 10-12 Friday: 10-12



Lost and Found



The Lost and Found Box is in the narthex above the mailboxes. It currently holds two pairs of glasses. Denizens of the box will be disposed of after one month.

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.



Looking Ahead

Saturday, December 2 @ 3:00 pm : Bell Choir @ Fran's Flowers
Sunday, December 3 @ 10:00 am : Advent Begins!
Sunday, December 3 @ 2:00 pm : Sing Along @ Mary Ann Morse
Sunday, December 3 @ 3:30 pm : Tree Lighting at CLC

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