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Trumpet

In the Old Testament, trumpets, often made from ram's horns, called people to worship or war (and often promised victory). Joshua and the Israelites used trumpets to fell the walls of Jericho. Under Gideon, the small Israelite army blew trumpets and smashed jars to confuse the Midianites into surrender. The New Testament says trumpets will sound at the Last Judgment and the resurrection of the dead. In Revelation 11, a seventh trumpet proclaims God's final and complete triumph.

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CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Advent Program

It's hard to believe that the season of Advent is almost upon us. On Sunday, November 27th after worship service, we plan to hold our annual Advent Program in the Family Room.

Lunch and refreshments will be served as we make traditional Advent wreaths. Desserts would be greatly appreciated from the congregation.

Please sign up in the Narthex so we can prepare. If you have your metal wreath forms from last year, please bring with you. Hope to see you there!



Coming Attraction

Advent, which marks the beginning of the church year, is "the first gleam of Christmas," writes W.E. Sangster. "It heralds the entrance of the Divine into human history; it is heaven descending to earth; it is a great event casting its brilliance before it." Sangster adds: "It is as though a trumpeter had taken his stand upon the turrets of time and announced the coming of the King. 'Get ready,' he seems to say. 'Get ready. He is coming!'"



Please pray for these loved ones...

Dolores Brickman, Maggie Brower, Mike Chapman, John Cutler, Ken Cutler, Charlie Eidel, Krista Fuchs, Mary Carolyn Harrison, Ellen Heim, Fred Hesse, Terry Klotz, Dennis & Jennifer Kruk, Anna & Walter Kruk, Renee Lomelino, Jack Lowack, Marie Lupinski, the Maller Family, Irene Maury, Logan Mercer, Shady Oliver, Erin Raffery, Doris Robinson, Cathy & Roger Schramm, Evelyn

Schramm, Marge Tomaselli, Lenny van Dam, the Vega Family, Janice & Dave Wedderman, Robert Wiederschall and Peter Zingaro

And those serving in the military...

Bryant Rodriguez Cyriax, Greg Flintall, Devin Vega and Rachel Zarnke

And those who can't always be with us...

Ed & Carol DeMott, Al & Barbara Frielink and Irma Weishaupt



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Living with God in a One-story House



We often think of the universe as a two-story house, notes Orthodox Christian priest Stephen Freeman. "We live here on earth, the first floor, where ... everything operates according to normal, natural laws, while God lives in heaven, upstairs, and is largely removed from the story in which we live." Most of the time we feel like we're all alone on our level of the world.

But, Freeman adds, God is "everywhere present and filling all things." Not that God's kingdom has fully come; we know that's not so. And not to discount the promise of eternity. But we don't live

apart from God, even now. As Jacob said, "Surely the Lord is in this place. ... This is none other than the house of God" (Genesis 28:16-17).

How might our perceptions and behaviors change if we expected to run into God frequently, conversing and enjoying his company not only in prayer and worship but while working and relaxing? What a difference it makes when we live as roommates with God in a one-story world.

Based on Hunting Magic Eels by Richard Beck



We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Evelyn Schramm, whose sister Dorothy Syme passed away on October 15, 2022.

Wishing Evelyn and Dorothy's family strength and comfort in the months ahead.

Gratitude Galore

If you've ever kept a gratitude journal, you know they're fairly easy to fill. Edward King, an English bishop known for working with the poor, may not have had a fancy journal. But these words evoke such a list: "I will thank God ... for the glory of the thunder, for the mystery of music, the singing of birds and the laughter of children. ... for the awe of the sunset, the beauty of flowers, the smile of friendship and the look of love ... for the leaves on the trees in spring and autumn, for the witness of the leafless trees through the winter, teaching us that death is sleep and not destruction,

for the sweetness of flowers and the scent of hay. Truly, oh Lord, the earth is full of thy riches!"

King concludes: "And yet how much more I will thank and praise God for the strength of my body enabling me to work, for the refreshment of sleep, for my daily bread, for the days of painless health, for the gift of my mind and the gift of my conscience, for his loving guidance of my mind ever since it first began to think, and of my heart ever since it first began to love."

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Bible Quiz

Which of the following is not called a "fruit of the Spirit" — but probably could be?

- A. love
- B. faithfulness
- C. self-control
- D. gratitude
- E. gentleness

Answer: D (See Galatians 5:22-23.)

Nov.

Lay Assistant | Usher Altar Guild Schedule

NOVEMBER 6 10:00am

Lay Assistant	Pat Berinato
Usher	Linda Polise
Altar Guild	TBD

NOVEMBER 13 10:00am

Lay Assistant	Bob Denicola
Usher	Terry Calise
Altar Guild	Lore Braun

NOVEMBER 20 10:00am

Lay Assistant	Carrie Ralston
Usher	Linda Comery
Altar Guild	Linda Polise

NOVEMBER 27 10:00am

Lay Assistant	Chris Nilsen
Usher	Anne Carman
Altar Guild	Marge Tomaselli



CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>(CH) Church (FH) Fellowship Hall (FR) Family Room (OB) Office Building (PA) Parsonage</p>		<p>1 All Saint's Day </p>	2	3	4	<p>5 Crafty Ladies (OB) 10:00am </p>
		<p>8  Potluck & Prayers (FR) 6:30pm</p>	9	10	<p>11 Veterans Day </p>	12
<p>6 Daylight Saving Time ends Worship Service (CH) 10:00am </p>	7					<p>19 Crafty Ladies (OB) 10:00am </p>
<p>13 Worship Service (CH) 10:00am</p>	14	15	16	17	18	
<p>20 Christ the King Sunday Worship Service (CH) 10:00am </p>	<p>21 Council Meeting (OB) 6:30pm</p>	22	23	<p>24  Thanksgiving Church Office closed Worship Service (Church of the Savior) 10:00am</p>	<p>25 Church Office closed</p>	26
<p>27 First Sunday of Advent Worship Service (CH) 10:00am Advent Program following service (FR)</p>	28	29	30	<div style="border: 2px solid yellow; padding: 10px;">  <p>PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!</p> <p>Potluck & Prayers December 13 (FR) 6:30pm</p> <p>Christmas Eve Service December 24 (CH) 8:00pm</p> <p>Christmas Day Service December 25 (Church of the Savior) 10:00am</p> </div>		