



## +Christian Symbol+

### Cross of Triumph

Also known as the Cross of Victory, this cross symbolizes Christ's final triumph and his reign throughout the earth. The Cross of Triumph is often depicted atop Jesus' scepter when he's shown in his kingly office.

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# Chapel News

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CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## Indoor Worship to Resume March 14th

At February's Council Meeting, the Council voted to resume indoor worship services beginning on March 14, 2021, at 10:30 am. For those who feel more comfortable worshipping at home, Pastor Hayley will record the service and will have it available after worship. (You will receive an email when it is available.)

For those who do not have internet, I will continue to mail weekly worship materials.

Below are the guidelines that we will follow for the health and well-being of all of us.

- Upon entering the church, your temperature will be taken.
- Only the **first** time that you attend will you be asked to complete a health questionnaire.
- Attendance will be taken at each service.

- Maintain 6 feet of distance from others – exceptions are made if you are from the same family and living under the same roof.
- You must wear a mask over your mouth and nose at all times while in the church building.
- Singing and verbal responses will be limited and done in a soft voice.
- Socializing is not permitted **inside** the building, before or after worship.

Please adhere to the above guidelines. It is our way of living as faithful neighbors and fellow siblings in Christ where we care for our own and each other's lives.

Let us pray that by following the above protocol, worship in the church will continue!

Blessings to you all.

Debbie Geerlof  
Church Secretary



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# FROM THE PASTOR

## Letter from Pastor Hayley

Here we are again at the beginning of the season of Lent, a time of contemplation and reflection.

As we reflect, we realize this is our second Lent during the pandemic. We could've never imagined that we'd be in the same situation that we were a year ago. However we do have hope for this new year, which is in fact different from this time last year. Vaccines have been approved, including a third one just recently, and people are starting to get vaccinated.

In light of this good news, the Council and I have decided to move forward and reevaluate the way we gather for worship.

Once again we are planning an indoor service. We will worship again in the sanctuary starting March 14th.

Here is a reminder of the rules and regulations we have put into place in order to be able to gather physically and yet worship safely together.

- Remain in your car until you see an usher outside the church door.
- Upon entering the church your temperature will be taken, and you will be asked to complete a health questionnaire. You will only have to complete the questionnaire once. After that, each week the usher will ask you whether or not anything has changed from the previous week.
- Based upon the mandated guidelines, we are allowed 50% capacity. However our sanctuary is too small to have 50% capacity and still remain socially distant, so if we

exceed our capacity you will be asked to proceed to the Family Room to listen to the service.

- Please maintain 6 feet from others. Exceptions are made for members of the same family and those living under the same roof.
- You must wear a mask over your nose and mouth at all times while in the church building.
- Singing or verbal responses will be with very minimal voice.
- The restrooms will not be available for use.
- Windows will be open before and during the worship service to allow proper ventilation....dress accordingly.
- Only open your own pre-filled communion cups/wafers — do not assist others.
- Socializing is not permitted inside the building before and/or after worship.
- You will be given a brown paper bag to put your bulletin and communion trash in. Please take your own trash home. It is not to be commingled with other worshippers.

Please adhere to the above guidelines. It is our way of living as faithful neighbors and fellow siblings in Christ, where we care for our own and each other's lives. I am looking forward to meeting you in person again safely.

Pastor Hayley

# God is Love

-1 John 4:16

## Please Pray for These Loved Ones

Donna Archer, Karen Bartholomew, Fred Behnke, Kathleen Bhargava, Chris Brooks, Maggie Brower, Young Hee Choi, Lillian Cooper, Ken Cutler, Ron DePue, Rich Dugan, the Fernandez Family, Al Frielink, Krista Fuchs, Robyn Garfield, Mark Hallwell, Mary Carolyn Harrison, Diane Hesse, Jae Hee Kim, Terry Klotz, Nadine Kohn, Soon Hoi Koo, Dennis and Jennifer Kruk, Anna and Walter Kruk, Bill Kyritz, Rich Lindeberg, Renee Lomelino, Kaethe Lorch, Marie Lupinski, Dennis Marinkovich, Dorothy Mulroe, Emma and Richard Murphy, Amy Nywening, Lionel Ortega, Shepard Palance, Sam Ralston Sr., Karen Richardson, Doris Robinson, Cathy and Roger Schramm, Evelyn Schramm, Yorg Schultheis, Carolyn Sidor, Michael Siekmann, Nancy Sweet, Dorothy Syme, Marge Tomaselli, Jaime Battaglia van Dam, Jennifer van Dam, Lenny van Dam, Jennifer Viehmeyer, June Ward, Irma Weishaupt, Louis Wernick, Robert Wiederschall, Elenor Witte, Paul Witte and Claire Zimmerman

### And those serving in the military...

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

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

Al Frielink, Grete Potts and Irma Weishaupt

*If you would like someone to be added to or removed from the prayer lists, please contact the Church Office at 201-262-0138.*

CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# MARCH 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
(CH) Church (FH) Fellowship Hall (FR) Family Room (OB) Office Building (PA) Parsonage	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Virtual Worship Service 10:30am  	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Daylight Savings Time Begins In-Person Worship Service (CH) 10:30am <i>Virtual service to follow                      on YouTube</i>  	15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20  Spring Begins
21 In-Person Worship Service (CH) 10:30am <i>Virtual service to follow                      on YouTube</i>  	22	23	24	25	26	27
28  Palm Sunday In-Person Worship Service (CH) 10:30am <i>Virtual service to follow                      on YouTube</i>	29	30	31			