



+Christian Symbol+

Cornucopia

Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning “horn of plenty,” has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins. Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.

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CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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*Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.*

*In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.*

Proverbs 3:5-6

Update on Our Journey

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you to all who attended our Town Hall meeting on October 24th. The Council brought forward our thoughts on moving forward after Pastor Hayley's departure and a number of ideas from the congregation were raised as a result. Those present decided to:

- Brainstorm what they see as Christ Lutheran's place in their lives, think about what they would want their church to be in the community, and whether that can be accomplished with our current membership and financial situation
- Discuss the state of the Parsonage, and whether keeping it in its current state, renovating it, or selling it is in the church's best interest
- Come back together at a future date to decide, based on their brainstorming, whether calling a part-time Pastor or merging/partnering with another congregation would better serve our needs and God's mission

To that end, I am calling a Special Congregation Meeting for Sunday, November 14, 2021, directly after the worship service. Votes may be taken on the congregation's direction to allow the Council to move forward in planning the future. We strongly urge you to come and be a part of this conversation.

No vote on the Parsonage will be taken at this meeting, but we encourage you to stop by the Parsonage after the meeting if you would like to see it.

If you cannot be at the meeting, but would like us to know your thoughts, please do one of the following:

- Leave your opinion on the Church Office voicemail (201-262-0138)
- Send an email to me at christinparamus@hotmail.com
- Call me personally at 201-694-6804

In Christ,

Christopher Nilsen
Congregation Council President



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Honoring Our Veterans

Veterans Day has its roots in what was called Armistice Day, when a peace agreement ended World War I on November 11, 1918. President Wilson proclaimed that Armistice Day was to be marked with solemn pride in heroism and with gratitude for victory as well as the "opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice."

In 1954, the remembrance was renamed Veterans Day to honor all U.S. military personnel. It's a reminder to pray for and honor all who serve and sacrifice, to support and assist their families, and to pray that God will bring peace on earth.



Advent Program

After coming together for a picnic last month, we thought it'd be wonderful to celebrate the first day of Advent with our church family. On Sunday, November 28th after worship service, we plan to hold our 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. Hope to see you there!



Please pray for these loved ones...

Donna Archer, Kathleen Bhargava, Chris Brooks, Maggie Brower, Herb Carlough, Bob Chapman, Lois Cockrell, Ken Cutler, Ron DePue, Rich Dugan, Maryann Faison, the Fernandez Family, Ken Frank, Al Frielink, Krista Fuchs, Robyn Garfield, Mark Hallwell, Mary Carolyn Harrison, Diane and Fred Hess, Terry Klotz, Nadine Kohn, Dennis and Jennifer Kruk, Anna and Walter Kruk, Bill Kyritz, Rich Lindeberg, Renee Lomelino, Marie Lupinski, Dorothy Mulroe, Emma and Richard Murphy, Lionel Ortega, Karen Richardson, Mary Richter, 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, Paul Witte and Claire Zimmerman

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...

Al and Barbara Frielink, Grete Potts and Irma Weishaupt

Nov.

Lay Assistant | Usher Altar Guild Schedule

NOV. 7

10:30am

Lay Assistant
Usher
Altar Guild

Bob Denicola
Anne Carman
Marge Tomaselli

NOV. 14

10:30am

Lay Assistant
Usher
Altar Guild

Bill Jaichner
Linda Polise
Gina Lally

NOV. 21

8:30am

Lay Assistant
Usher
Altar Guild

Pat Berinato
Linda Comery
Linda Polise

NOV. 28

10:30am

Lay Assistant
Usher
Altar Guild

Pam Sakala
Anne Carman
Marge Tomaselli



CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 All Saint's Day 	2	3	4	5	6 Crafty Ladies (OB) 10:00am
 7 Daylight Savings Time Worship Service (CH) 10:30am	8	9	10	11 Veteran's Day 	12	13
14 Worship Service (CH) 10:30am Special Congregation Meeting (following service)	15	16	17	18 	19	20 Crafty Ladies (OB) 10:00am
21 Worship Service (CH) 8:30am Confirmation Class (OB) 9:30am 	22 PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN WORSHIP TIME	23	24	25 <i>Thankfulness & Praise</i> Thanksgiving Church Office closed	26 Thanksgiving Church Office closed	27
28 First Sunday of Advent Worship Service (CH) 10:30am Advent Program (FR) following worship	29	30		(CH) Church (FH) Fellowship Hall (FR) Family Room (OB) Office Building (PA) Parsonage		