

The Buzz ...



The newsletter for Christ Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran Church is a community of Love where all are welcome and hearts are healed.

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Church Council Prayerfully Determines Vision

HR consultant, Kim Miller, took the church council and Pastor Miller step-by-step through the process of arriving at a vision for Christ Lutheran church with goals and objectives for 2016. After 5 hours of brainstorming and discussion, a Vision and objectives were in place. We want Christ Lutheran Church to be known as the "Church that Serves Others, joyfully." Feeling that we are called to a faith that is active in love, and redeemed by God's grace and filled with the Spirit, we are free to do God's work in Christ's name for the sake of the world.

The group went on to establish the first two months' activity for carrying out the vision. In March we will be filling Easter baskets for underprivileged children. In April we will be joining Puerta de Paz and the Boy Scout Troop to volunteer at the Orange County Food Bank. Other projects will be determined by a task force to be established for that purpose.

The results will be evaluated after 6 months when the council will again meet in retreat.

Preschool Changes

Tina has sent her families the following up date. Teacher Miss Danielle is no longer working at Christ Lutheran Preschool. Tina will be filling her role as school age supervisor until a replacement is found. Mr. Robert, a volunteer, will continue to support the after-school program with Tina.

The Preschool enrollment remains low, so there is not an immediate need to hire a new teacher. Miss Anja will be teaching a new combined 3's and PreK class. The school will be implementing a Kindergarten Readiness enrichment program for the PreK kids beginning March 1! Tina will be supporting this enrichment program. Miss Toni will continue as the teacher for the two year olds.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please feel free to contact Tina directly by phone or email.

The school is also taking orders for See's Candy for Easter. Order forms are available at the back and during Fellowship.

Lent Is a Time to Be Thankful

The devotions for lent this year centers on Paul's letter to the Colossians. Over and over Paul says "Give thanks." On the wall, near the front of the church, is a plain, brown cross, like the one Christ died on. We can transform that means of Roman punishment and death into one of triumph and life by adding our thanks on post-its to cover the surface with bright colors. By Easter, and certainly by Pentecost, the cross will be a brightly-colored expression of Easter joy.

To accomplish this, think of something you are thankful for and/or a blessing you have received and write it on a post-it from the poster at the back of the church, and then add it to the cross. One blessing, one thanks every Sunday. And as you write, keep in mind Paul's advice to the Colossians: "Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."



A big thank you to Kris Miller for ordering the new candles for the altar.

Prayer List

Compassionate God, we pray for all those who are struggling in body, mind or spirit. Grant them a sense of your peace. In Jesus name. Amen

Grace McDonald, (recovering from surgery)
Patti Reynolds, friend of Jean Poencet (cancer)
Judi Wood, and family, friends of Kris Miller (cancer)

Herb Dyer and family, (health issues)

Avis Gerards

West Wyatt, Al Walker's friend

Olen Lowry and family, cancer

Marie Berger, Linda Peterson's friend, hip surgery

Cody Brown, (cancer) Ken Anderson (Cancer)

Marienne Hamilton

Patti Philips, friend of Roger Johnson, (heart problems)

Ida Savage, Lea Walker's sister (surgery)

Jordan Walker

Nick Walker

John Wolfe

Our Bishops and synod staff

Preschool Staff & Families

Puerta de Paz

Our Nation's Leaders

US Armed Forces and First-Responders

Child S.H.A.R.E. (foster care)

People impacted by natural disasters

Contact Alan Leonard to make changes to the Prayer

List

SOME IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

March 6: Good Samaritan Sunday

March 12: Boy Scout Spring Yard Sale

March13: Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 15: Council Meeting

March 19: Preschool Egg Hunt 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

May 5-7: Pacifica Synod Assembly

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THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES

In addition to the Sunday morning Bible study, Pastor Keith is leading a study of 1 Corinthians Thursday mornings from 10:00-11:00. Join in the conversation and learn more about this troubled church, how Paul works to resolve the difficulties the church at Corinth faced, and we can relate this to our lives today.

Every Sunday Schedule

9:30-10:45a.m.: Bible Study Class in the Fireside

Room

10:30-11:30 a.m.: Worship Service with Holy

Communion

11:30_12:00 noon: Fellowship in the Fireside

Room

Birthdays and Anniversaries

This feature has been suspended until further notice. It has come to the attention of the editor that publishing names and dates without the specific permission of the persons involved is a violation of privacy. Thus no data will be included until such time as permission can be obtained. Until then, if you have a special day in February or March, feel free to tell everyone, and we will congratulate you as appropriate.

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Please call ahead for appointment.

The Buzz is issued on the Sunday following the council meeting. Contact Cista Leonard to submit articles.

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