

### Dear Friends,

November is a time for giving thanks, and not just because we have a holiday by that name. Here at Christ Lutheran Church, we give thanks for having gotten so much help from visiting pastors that allow us to continue to be an actively worshipping community, even though we haven't had a regular pastor in three years.

We give thanks for the ministry of our Thrift Shop, that helps so many people within our community and in many other parts of Long Island, as well as beyond our own shores. We give thanks for all the volunteers that have given generously of their time and talent.

We give thanks for the Director of our Nursery School, Dana Antonette, and her dedicated staff, who provide a welcoming and nurturing environment for our students that are experiencing school for the first time in their lives.

We give thanks to all our Retirees that keep a watchful eye on our church every day to make sure all of our systems keep operating smoothly.

How can you give thanks? I try to do it by increasing my annual giving by 1% of my current financial commitment to our church every year. Won't you consider how you might help support the many ministries of our church? If you can't do it with money, consider volunteering by sharing your time and your talent with the church.

One way that you might want to consider contributing to Christ Lutheran Church is by donating shares of stock. The church will benefit from your generosity and you will be able to benefit on your next tax return. If the stock you donate cost you \$100 and is now worth \$500, the church will receive that \$500 that will have only cost you \$100 (and you get credit for having contributed \$500). If you want more information on how this can be done, talk to our treasurer, Barbara Stone.

Every day that we are able to open our eyes after a good night's sleep is a reason to give thanks. How will you give thanks this holiday season? No matter how you do it, I hope that you make someone happy.

Hans Vogel



"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given... And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." - Isaiah 9:6

Dear Friends,

The Season of Advent is upon us. Soon, it will be time to decorate our Sanctuary with trees, wreaths, garland, and poinsettias as we prepare to celebrate Christmas. This year, we will continue our tradition of honoring our loved ones with Christmas flower memorials. These memorial gifts will be displayed in the narthex and listed in our Christmas bulletin. The suggested contribution is **\$15 per memorial.** If you wish to participate, please complete the form below and return it to the Church office with your donation **no later than Monday, December 18.** 

Christ Lutheran Church Christmas Flower Memorials
I am enclosing \$ for a Christmas flower memorial.
Number of Memorials Requested: Please indicate: ☐ Cash ☐ Check <u>Please make all checks out to Christ Lutheran Church.</u> Envelope # Phone Number:
Given by:  Please print your name exactly as you wish it to appear in the bulletin.
I wish to give this memorial ( <u>select all that apply- please number if they are separate memorials</u> ):  ☐ In Thanksgiving to God. ☐ In Honor Of:
☐ In Memory Of:





### PARISH REGISTER MEMORIALS

### **Bell Choir Memorial**

In Memory of: Margaret & Fred Lorenzen

Given by: Lauren & Raymond Osnato

### **General Memorial**

In Honor of: Joan Drake

Given by: Jan and John Eastlund

### **Property Improvement & Maintenance**

In Memory of: Carolyn Howard

Given by: Barbara Rath



We have partnered with **Vanco** to make online giving safe and streamlined! To set up your weekly donation, contribute to a memorial fund, and more, simply scan this QR code with your smartphone's camera, or visit the following link: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZEAF.

### **GOOD NEWS & BLESSINGS**

### **November Birthdays**

3: Lynn Deere

6: Keith Wehr

9: Marilyn Miller

11: Mary Ann Welch

13: Barbara Grieser

13: Alyssa Soethout

16: Juliana Fisher

19: Emmy Grenzig

21: Emma Nicole Bloomfield



22: James Sheridan

### **November Anniversaries**

6: Lorell & Bob Ahearn

7: Megan & Jack Daniels

17: Barbara & Roy Stone

24: Lynn & Leroy Deere



Would you like to include a birthday or anniversary in the Spire? All are welcome! Please call or email the Church office with the name(s) and date(s). Please do so no later than 30 days before your celebration.

### **Congratulations!**



Linda and Jim Boniello are happy to announce the marriage of their son, Jason Boniello, to Dr. Nina Juszczak, which took place on September 30, 2023 in Cairo, New York. They wish them a lifetime of love and happiness!

### **Good News**

- The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Country Fair was a big success! We are so proud of the work that went into this special event. We are grateful to all our volunteers, especially:
  - The Fair Committee: Regina Coons, Kirsten Duprez, Lilly Ann Munnich, and Barbara Rath
  - Cookie Walk Coordinator, Jan Eastlund
  - Café Coordinators, Claudia & John Gross
  - Thrift Shop Volunteers
  - The Retirees
  - The Scouts
  - Hans & Laura Vogel, for the Condo Raffle
  - All Who Helped with Set-Up and Clean-Up

As a reminder, the proceeds from this event help fund our future ministries, as well as the wonderful work of The Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN), Lutheran Disaster Relief, The U.S.O., and The Tunnel to Towers Foundation. **If you won a raffle prize,** you may pick it up at the Church office (please call ahead to confirm a

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pickup time). Please note that the condo raffle is <u>still</u> <u>open!</u> The winner will be called on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

- Fall Food Drive: Thank you to everyone who generously donated to our Fall Food Drive, and to those who plan to volunteer with us at the Merrick Stop & Shop on October 28<sup>th</sup>. In addition to the management at Stop & Shop, we are also grateful to our friends at Twin Dragon Acupuncture, who collected items on our behalf, and Thrivent Financial, who provided a stipend to be used for purchasing additional items. Finally, we thank Jan Eastlund and Roxanne Toomey, for all their efforts coordinating. The items we've collected and funds raised will be used to stock the shelves and fill Thanksgiving baskets for our local food pantries. Your kindness has made a difference!
- Lights of Love: Our Lights of Love memorial tribute will be displayed in the Narthex and published in the bulletin on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to participate, please submit the tear-off form included in your Spire to the Church office by Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. All proceeds from this special collection will benefit Good Shepherd Hospice of Long Island.
- Save the Date! Wantagh's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Wonderland Fair will be held on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-5:30PM at the Wantagh Train Museum. We are once again looking for volunteers to participate in this fun event. Please see Della Rao or Hans Vogel if you'd like to lend a hand.
- O 2023-2024 Coffee Hour: There are many open Sundays available to host. We encourage you to consider hosting. As we all benefit from the fellowship Coffee Hour provides, we also benefit from lending a helping hand. Please see Jan Eastlund to volunteer.
- Seafarers: It's that time of year again! Collections have begun for our annual partnership with the Seafarers Christmas at Sea program. We are looking to the congregation for help with acquiring items and assembling our care satchels. Please see the "Christian Outreach" and "Thrivent" sections for further details.
- o **Mr. Mittens:** Cold weather means Mr. Mittens is on his way! Please see the "Outreach" section for details.

### **CLC Youth News**

The Christian Nursery School is taking orders for their Thanksgiving Fundraiser with White Post Farms! An order form is included in your Spire. Orders must be received by November 9<sup>th</sup>, and will be ready for pick-up on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, just in time to enjoy on Thanksgiving! Thank you for your support.

- Scout Cleanup Day will be held on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to lend a hand or have any questions, please speak with Dee Bloomfield.
   We thank the Scouts for their continued support!
- Christmas Wreath Sale! Ring in the Christmas season while supporting our church's youth. All orders must be received by Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generosity!
- Planning has begun for our **Sunday School Christmas Pageant!** Save the date for **Sunday, December 17**<sup>th</sup>. If your child would like to participate, please speak with our Music Director, Nicole Nicholson.



# **PRAYER LIST**

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Becky Carlson - Ellen Bello - James Cathcart
Danielle Chillemi - Sal Costanzo - Sue Costanzo
Audrina Crochitto - Margaret Dahlberg - Joan Drake
Joanne Drenckhahn - Bob Freyer - Travis Gentile
Betty Gibberman - Bill Gilmor - Barbara Grieser
Emmy Grenzig - Theresa Heenan - Pr. John Hopkins
Arnold Howard - Ruth Kollar - Alice Li - Suzanne Marshall
Janet McShea - William McShea - John Miller
Marilyn Miller - Lilly Ann Munnich - John Nittoli
James Pallas - Jim Pawl - Barbara Proce - Gary Proce
Catherine Rao - Terri Rao - Emmett Reilly - Rose Reilly
Ann Reimer - Barbara Reimer - Della Dorn Rice
Helga Richert - Kay Riese - Eunice Rischan - Doris Spiegle
Natalie Stone - Ralph Vitale - James Toomey

REMINDER: To add a name to our prayer list, please contact the Church office. Names remain on the list for six weeks per request. If you would like for a name to remain on the list long-term, please be sure to follow up with the Church office six weeks after your first request.

### **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Worship & Music:**

- O Christmas Pageant: The Pageant will be held during 9AM service on December 17th. Nicole Nicholson is coordinating. Della Rao sent her the Sunday School class lists for contacting the parents. Nicole will collaborate with Sunday School on rehearsal times.
- Christmas Eve: Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year. We will have a regular 9AM service for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent that day. We will then have



Christmas Eve services at 5:30PM and 8PM. Pastor Nale will preside at all three services.

### **Christian Education:**

- Food Drive: Roxanne Toomey coordinated with the management at Stop & Shop in Merrick to station a table on October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-12PM. Funding from Thrivent was approved and an action kit is on its way. All students were sent home with a flyer. Della is working with Confirmation families to see which students can help with the table on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Twin Dragon Acupuncture in Wantagh contacted Della to set up donation boxes in their office.
- O Confirmation: All is moving as scheduled to have Confirmation on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Nursery Board:**

- Fundraising: The Nursery School is currently holding their first fundraiser of the year, selling wrapping paper. It ends October 30<sup>th</sup>. In mid-October, they will start collecting orders for their White Post Farms Thanksgiving fundraiser.
- Country Fair: Students are baking tasty treats to be sold at the Fair café.
- Summer Program: The Nursery Board is researching the possibility of installing air conditioners in additional classrooms, to allow for more space to be safely utilized in the heat.

### **Council:**

- Youth Bulletin Board: The Nursery School, Scouts, and Christian Education will collaborate on a Youth Bulletin Board. This board is located just outside of Room 2000. Posted will be highlights, photos, fundraising information, etc.
- Eagle Scout Presentation: BSA Troop 656 Eagle Scout Candidate John Bloomfield presented his Eagle Scout Project proposal to Council. He proposed installing a prayer garden and sitting area outside of the Sanctuary, where church members and visitors can sit, meditate, and enjoy the outdoors. Included would be an outdoor bench, a stone resin garden cross, and assorted flowers. Estimated cost is \$800, which would be met through a bottle drive and restaurant fundraiser. Council approved this project.





### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Sunday School families will soon be hearing from our Music Director, Nicole Nicholson, regarding the Christmas Pageant. All are encouraged to participate!
- o Thank you to our **Confirmation Program** students who have participated in the Fall Food Drive!
- All students are encouraged to collect items for Seafarers and Mr. Mittens. Please see the "Outreach" section for a list of needed items.
- New students and volunteers are always welcome!
   For more information, please speak with our Christian Education Coordinator, Della Rao.

### CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

**Homebound Communion:** Did you know that we offer Communion for the homebound? Whether it's due to a temporary illness or injury or a long-term situation, this option is available to you. If you or a loved one is interested in receiving Communion at home or at a care facility, please contact the Church office. You may also contact **Pastor Krahn** at (631) 720-6179, or **Roxanne Toomey** at (516) 728-7810.

Mr. Mittens: Cold weather means that Mr. Mittens is on his way! Please help us to collect warm winter clothing and cozy books for the children at Nassau University Medical Center. The items we need (new or gently used) are:

- o Children's books
- o Hats
- o Gloves
- o Mittens
- Scarves
- Sweaters
- Monetary donations to purchase needed items (cash or checks made payable to Christ Lutheran Church)

A donation box is located in the Narthex. We would appreciate receiving all donations by Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you for your generous contributions!

Seafarers: Preparations are underway for the Christmas at Sea Program! Since 1873, Seafarers has provided mariners around the world with emotional, spiritual, and tangible support. This year, our congregation continues its tradition of assembling care satchels for these often-overlooked essential workers. Items for donation may be purchased in-person and dropped off in the Seafarers box in the Narthex. If you prefer, you may also shop online and list Christ Lutheran as the delivery address. Seafarers has an Amazon wish list, which you can access by visiting sihnyc.org/christmas-at-sea and clicking "Christmas at Sea wish list" (items ordered through the wish list will be directly delivered to Seafarers International). Monetary

donations are also accepted; please make all checks out to Christ Lutheran Church with "Seafarers" in the memo.

### Please consider donating the following needed items:

- One sweatshirt, hooded or unhooded, size M, L, or XL
- o One T-shirt, size M, L, or XL
- o Three pairs of socks, gym or thermal
- One knitted winter cap (no pom-poms)
- One coordinating-optional scarf (no pastels or fringe)
- One can of nuts, chocolate bar, or healthy snack bar As they did last year, our Sunday School will participate in this project by writing out Christmas cards to place in the care satchels. Donations of cards are welcome (blank inside preferred). We would appreciate receiving all donations by Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you for your generous contributions!

### **WELCA**

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the **Country** Fair a big success! Please consider participating next year. We also encourage you to participate in our upcoming collections for **Seafarers and Mr. Mittens.** Thank you!

Our Fall Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00PM at Gusto Divino Trattoria in Seaford. The \$30pp cost includes soup or salad, choice of entrée, coffee or tea, choice of dessert, and gratuity. RSVP's were due on October 25<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet RSVP'd, please see Claudia Gross or Lilly Ann Munnich.

The next WELCA Conference Bible Study will be held on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 10AM. We will meet at St. David's Lutheran Church in Massapequa Park. Please enter at the ramped door at the corner of the church parking lot. The leader for the day will be Pastor John Hickey from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Seaford.

### THRIFT SHOP

Our thrift shop is open on Fridays, 9AM-3PM, and the <u>first Saturday</u> of each month, 10AM-2PM. The next Thrift Shop Saturday will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please note that we are <u>closed</u> on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving.

Donations are appreciated! For your convenience, donations may be left in or adjacent to the donation shed next to the Thrift Shop. **No cribs or mattresses, please.** If you are unsure of whether we can accept an item, please call the Church office to be connected with a Thrift Shop coordinator. Thank you!

### ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY

Your donations are appreciated. Thank you!
Cake/Brownie Mix - Canned Chicken/Salmon/Tuna
Canned Pasta/Chef Boyardee - Canned Peaches/Pears
Canned Stew/Chili - Canned Turkey Gravy - Canned Yams
Coffee/Tea/Hot Cocoa - Cold Cereal - Cookies/Crackers
Cooking Oil - Cranberry Sauce - Egg Noodles
Evaporated Milk - Facial Tissues - Icing
Instant Mashed Potatoes - Jello - Juice - Ketchup
Laundry/Dish Soap - Mayo - Mustard - Pancake Mix & Syrup
Paper Towels/Napkins - Pasta (Penne/Spaghetti) & Sauce
Peanut Butter & Jelly - Rice - Salad Dressing - Spam
Stuffing Mix - Toilet Paper - Tuna/Hamburger Helper
Please check the expiration dates on packaged foods before donating.

### FROM THE KNITWITS...

Many thanks to Betty Callahan for delivering from Connecticut lap robes, baby blankets, and bibs for any age. Come to the Fair and see! Thanks to Doris Ohlander for her baby hats, and to Norma Mantay for her neonatal blankets! It has been a bountiful month.

- Lilly Ann Munnich, 516-826-3663

### THRIVENT FINANCIAL

Thank you to all who supported the Country Fair on October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. It was great to have so many people participate and help to make it successful and fun. A big thanks goes to all who baked. The Cookie Walk had a large variety of outstanding cookies that rivaled any bakery, and at a fraction of the cost! There were also many beautiful handcrafted items, gifts, and valuable raffle prizes. Your donations of time, talent, and treasure were greatly appreciated. The outreach programs that benefit from the Fair are The Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN), Lutheran Disaster Relief, The U.S.O., and The Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Proceeds will also help support future Christ Lutheran ministries. In the past, Thrivent Financial has been very generous to us in providing \$250 in start-up funding for each of our Country Fairs. We thank them for their assistance this year!

Our **Fall Food Drive** involved many friends, congregation members, community members, and our confirmands. In the month of October, we collected food items to stock shelves and fill Thanksgiving baskets for local food pantries. Some of this food will also be used to cook the annual Thanksgiving dinner at The INN. On October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-12PM, we will gather at the Merrick Stop & Shop to solicit non-perishable food items and monetary donations. In the past, we have found this experience to be very rewarding and fun, and for the customers we encounter



to be very generous. Donations and volunteers are being accepted through the end of October. A flyer with a list of needed items is included in your Spire. Thanks for helping! Once again, we are grateful to **Thrivent Financial** for providing a \$250 stipend toward purchasing needed items.

Support the Christmas at Sea Program of the Seafarers International House (SIH). For several years, our congregation has supported the ministry of the Seafarers International House, which serves mariners around the world by providing spiritual, emotional, and tangible support. Seafarers spend long stretches of time away from family, friends, and community, and sometimes need assistance finding adequate housing, medical care, food, transportation, and counseling services. The holiday season can be especially lonely far away from home, while at sea or in a foreign land. Every year, our congregation collects items for care satchels that will be gifted to crew members of visiting ships by port chaplains. The care satchels will be assembled by volunteers the first week of December. We ask that all donations be received by Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please consider donating:

- o One sweatshirt, hooded or unhooded, size M, L, or XL
- o One T-shirt, size M, L, or XL
- o Three pairs of socks, gym or thermal
- o One knitted winter cap (no pom-poms)
- o One coordinating-optional scarf (no pastels or fringe)
- o One can of nuts, chocolate bar, or healthy snack bar

This year, our Knitwits are contributing handmade hats and scarves for the care satchels. If you would like to make some, please see Jan Eastlund or Lilly Ann Munnich for fabric and a pattern. As they did last year, our Sunday School will participate in this project by writing out Christmas cards to place in the care satchels. Donations of cards are welcome (blank inside preferred).

Items for donation may be purchased in-person and dropped off in the Seafarers box in the Narthex. If you prefer, you may also shop online and list Christ Lutheran as the delivery address. Seafarers has an Amazon wish list, which you can access by visiting sihnyc.org/christmas-at-sea and clicking "Christmas at Sea wish list" (items ordered through the wish list will be directly delivered to Seafarers International). Monetary donations are also accepted; please make all checks out to Christ Lutheran Church with "Seafarers" in the memo. Thank you to Thrivent Financial for providing a \$250 grant which will be used to purchase items needed to complete the care satchels. On behalf of the essential workers who have helped us to get through the pandemic and supply chain issues, thank you for bringing the joy of Christmas to those who cannot be home with loved ones.

**To Thrivent Members:** Check your mail for a ballot for the election of members to the National Board of Directors and the Northeast Regional Board of Directors. Please mail your completed ballot or vote online by **November 24**<sup>th</sup>.

### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Stewardship Sunday will be celebrated this year on November 19<sup>th</sup> during the 9AM worship service. On this day, we celebrate all the ways in which our church community gives to one another, and we commit to another year of vibrant giving. 2024 Estimate of Giving cards will be available during service and kept in the Sanctuary. But what does it mean to be a steward? Interestingly, the dictionary defines a steward as an individual who looks after travelers on ships, planes, and trains. In a similar way, stewards of the church are those who give their time, talent, and treasure for the purpose of caring for God's people on their earthly journeys. On this special day, we encourage you to consider the many ways you can be a church steward:

- Consider increasing the amount of frequency of your monetary contributions. You may also wish to set up your online giving with Vanco!
- O Volunteer with one of our many church ministries.
- O Volunteer to be a worship assistant.
- Volunteer to host a Coffee Hour, or two!

On Stewardship Sunday and every day, we honor all those who contribute to and live out our church mission. Following worship service, please take the time to thank a volunteer, and ask how you can lend a hand. Remember, giving to the church means gifting from the heart!

### THANK YOU TO...

Dear Members of Christ Lutheran,

Thank you for your generous support. I appreciate all your donations. I'm excited about the trip and will share about my experience when I return. - Sincerely, Kyler Biesma

Dear Craig, Vinny, and Friends at Christ Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your prayers and helping us move the furniture from my home. It made the transition from the hospital back home so much more smooth. I feel so peaceful in my home! - Gratefully, Alice & Li Family

### ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER?

What does it mean to be an active church member? To serve God and your community responsibly and faithfully. We do this by attending worship regularly, but also by giving our time, talent, and treasure to further the church's mission in



our community and throughout the world. The Constitution and By-Laws of Christ Lutheran Church define an **active member** as one who, *during the last three years* (<u>not</u> including the present year), has done **both of** the following:

- o "Communed in this congregation or received Communion from Christ Lutheran Church's Pastor(s);
- o "Made a contribution of record to this congregation."

Please fill out a Communion Card once a year. These cream-colored cards are kept in the church pews. You can place your completed card in the offering basket during worship service, or hand it to an usher. Please also be sure that your monetary contributions are being recorded. If you do not know your envelope number, or are not sure if you have one, call the Church office and leave a message for the Membership Committee. Any additional questions or concerns can be addressed with our Treasurer, Barbara Stone. Thank you for being a part of our church community!

## O COME, LET US ADORE HIM

Save the dates for Christmas worship!

Pageant: Sunday, December 17th during the 9AM service

Christmas Eve\*: Sunday, December 24th

**5:30PM & 8PM** services led by Pastor Martin Nale

\*We <u>will</u> have a 9AM service for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent. **Please note that this is not a Christmas Eve service.** 

Our Christmas Pageant and Christmas Eve services will be uploaded to YouTube and livestreamed on Facebook for those who wish to participate from home. <u>Please note that</u> there will be no in-person worship on Christmas Day.

# THE 2023 CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS CARD

This year, we welcome back our annual tradition of the Congregational Christmas Card. Spare the expense on postage, and send one card with your Christmas wishes for the whole congregation. Your card will be lovingly displayed on our card holder in the Sanctuary for all to read. As in previous years, we ask that those participating kindly send a contribution which we may use to help those in need. **Please send your card and contribution to the Church office by Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.** Our mailing address is 3384 Island Road, Wantagh, New York 11793. Thank you!

### THE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

Save the date! The 2024 Annual Meeting will be held after 9AM worship service on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. Church committees and organizations are encouraged to begin

compiling their 2023 Annual Reports **now.** Please speak with a Council member if you have any questions. Annual Reports <u>must</u> be submitted to the Church office by **Friday**, **January 19<sup>th</sup>.** Reports are required from the following:

Building/Property - Christian Education - Evangelism

Fellowship - Finance - Fundraising - Nursery Board

Outreach - Pastor/Parish Relations - Personnel

Social Media - Stewardship - Thrift Shop

Transition - Worship & Music - Youth - WELCA

Altar Guild - Counters

In order to hold the Annual Meeting, a minimum of ten percent of the Church membership must be in attendance. Christian Ed. classes will not be held on this day. Please do all you can to be available. *The future of Christ Lutheran depends upon decisions made here!* This constitutes the <u>first</u> official written notice of the 2024 Annual Meeting.

### VETERANS RECOGNITION SUNDAY



Are you a United States military veteran? Let us know! We would like to honor your service during worship on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. To participate, please submit this form to the Church office by Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.

VETERANS RECOGNITION SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

Name:
Branch of Service:
# of Years Served: Phone:
I would like to assist during worship by:
Serving as an Usher
Serving as a Communion Assistant
Serving as a Lector (Reading the Lessons)

Please submit this form by Wednesday, November 8th.





On All Saints Day, the church commemorates the lives of extraordinary people now entrusted to God's heavenly care. This year, we continue our tradition of honoring our own departed loved ones with our Lights of Love tribute. This year, All Saints Day and Lights of Love will be observed at the 9AM worship service on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

For a donation of \$5 per name, your loved one's name(s) will be listed in the bulletin and displayed in the narthex. All proceeds will be donated to Good Shepherd Hospice of Long Island. To participate, please return the cut-off form below with your donation to the Church office no later than Wednesday, November 1st.

Lights of Love
Lights of Love: Sunday, November 5, 2023
<b>Proceeds Collected for Good Shepherd Hospice of LI</b>
Envelope #:
Given By:
In Memory Of:

PLEASE RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>.
3384 ISLAND ROAD, WANTAGH, NEW YORK 11793

Total Enclosed (\$5 Each):

# Scout Troop 656 CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE

### It's the most wonderful time of the year!

Ring in the Christmas season with a fresh, decorated wreath! The proceeds from this fundraiser allow our Scouts to defray the costs of their activities in the year ahead. Your contribution makes a beautiful gift for you or a loved one, and a lasting one for our church's youth! If you are interested in purchasing a wreath, please submit the cut-off form below with your payment to the Church office by **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.** 

<b>%</b>
Scout Troop 656 CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE
Name:
Address:
Phone #:
Number of Wreaths: (\$25 per Wreath)
Total Enclosed: \$
Please make all checks out to BSA Troop 656.
FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT DEE BLOOMFIELD AT 516-369-3981.
PLEASE RETURN BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 <sup>TH</sup> .

Thank you for supporting our youth!



### A TRUE THANKSGIVING:

### MARTIN LUTHER ON GIVING THANKS

Written by Timothy J. Wengert for Living Lutheran.

"For all of this I owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey him." With these words in his Small Catechism, Martin Luther concludes his paraphrase of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed. The point is clear: We owe God thanks for all God gives to us.

But there is a trap here that we can easily fall into. Just because we ought to do something for God doesn't mean we can do it—or, in Luther's succinct language: "An 'ought' never implies a 'can.'"

The problem with thanksgiving (let alone praise, service and obedience) is twofold. On the one hand, we try to turn it into a "must," and we put on our smiley face and say thank you. Every time my Aunt Gladys gave me wool socks for Christmas, I was faced with the same dilemma: I had to write a thank-you note, but I wasn't really thankful at all. Hypocritical thanksgiving is the very opposite of true thanks.

On the other hand, we imagine that we can manufacture true thanksgiving on our own, and we take credit for being thankful (or feel guilty when we aren't). But this isn't true thanksgiving either.

Like all Christian good works, thanksgiving comes spontaneously. We've experienced this with children or grandchildren. When they are truly thankful, it's written all over their faces and they come running up to us with hugs and kisses. Otherwise, their parents whisper in their ears, "Come on, say thank you!" To which they moan, "Thanks for the socks." So, too, with God.

What creates thanksgiving is not our attitude but God's gifts. That is why, in his explanation of "I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth" from the First Article, Luther lists all the things he can think of that God has specifically given him: body and soul with their physical and mental capacities, shoes, clothing, food, drink, house, farm (by this time his wife, Katie, was beginning to purchase land to grow food for the expanding household and their many guests), wife, children, fields, livestock, property and all necessities for life.

Though our lists may vary, true thanksgiving arises not from our work at "being thankful" but out of God's gifts, which include protection from "all danger ... and evil,"

as Luther goes on to say in the Small Catechism. Luther doesn't mean to suggest that nothing bad will ever befall us, only that, when we are shielded from harm, danger and evil, this protection comes from God.

If you want to be thankful but you can't do it, make a list of God's gifts of creation. Or use Luther's—you'll run out of ink and paper before you get to the bottom, and like him, you may suddenly realize that "all this is done out of pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness of mine at all" (First Article).

Some people concentrate on the word "Father" when explaining this article. Luther instead concentrates on the word "creator" and turns "Father" into an adjective: "fatherly." In 1531, when Luther added an explanation to the words "Our Father in heaven," his oldest child was 5 and he had discovered his own fatherly heart. "With these words God wants to attract us," he writes (introduction to the Lord's Prayer).

In the Bible, we deal with loving children and a loving, divine parent. Thanksgiving will come spontaneously as we discover this "pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy."

But still we fail. We take so much for granted, or we fake it, or we break our arms patting ourselves on the back. That's when a second aspect of Luther's explanation comes to our rescue in the form of the Second Article of the Creed: there Luther repeats the word "ought" or "owe" but in ways that are nearly impossible to capture in English. Jesus Christ "has purchased and freed me ... not with gold or silver but ... with his innocent (in German, *unschuld*, meaning "non-owed") suffering and death."

We owe everything to God. Jesus, truly human and divine, owed God nothing but gave up everything for us. The result, according to Luther? "He has done all this in order that I may ... serve him in eternal ... innocence." There's that word again. We belong to Jesus, we live in his kingdom, and he frees us from debt.

Thanksgiving arises not because we owe it to God—even though we do—but spontaneously, because Jesus made us his own and frees us to "thank and praise, serve and obey." Amen! Or, as Luther paraphrased that word in this same explanation, "This is most certainly true."





### PROPERTY REPORT – NOV 2023

Our Volunteer Retiree Group continues to perform the maintenance and/or improvement items from the "Office" To-Do list, Seasonal activities, or things we find ourselves, and can accomplish without professional help. Our recent activities have included:

- We **finalized the Sanctuary Chair Row Arrangements** as best as we could remember and fastened all the chairs in the rows together.
- We "Plunged" the plugged Room 2000 Bathroom toilet after Rally Day. For convenience, in the future, new Mops and Plungers were ordered for all the bathrooms.
- We prepared and moved some "Men's" Table Fair Items to the Gym closet area.
- We mounted the spare Solar/Motion LED light in the rear Parking lot area.
- We changed the **Rear Parsonage Garage door lock** to a "Key-Up" configuration.
- We installed the new dates and placed the "Fair Pumpkin Sign" on the lawn.
- We "Electro sprayed" all the Microphone "connectors" to eliminate the Popping.
- Vinny repaired a Nursery Classroom Bookcase, and Toy Cart. Gene and Vinny painted a couple of NS Classroom items.
- The exterminator eliminated the "Yellow Jackets" in the front hedge.
- We responded to a "Telephone failing" problem in Della's Office, A swap of telephones with the Pastor's office only cleared an old "Speakerphone issue" but the four lines, while active, would not Ring in. A call to Verizon FIOS had three trucks responding, and they determined the problem was not in their equipment. Vinny and the V-Tech found the Amphenol Block and Wires behind the desk were WET from Della spilling her Coffee. The full day's outage was restored after Vinny used a hand blower to dry out the wires.
- Following the "100 year rain storm", the basement Computer room flooded with about 2" of water. Water also came into the boiler room and east classrooms and some crossed the hallway to a NS Classroom. After three hours of Mopping and Vacuuming, enough water was removed to allow multiple fans to dry the remainder. We thank Vinny and Roger for all their drying efforts and Dana for removing all the Rugs to the yard fences to dry.
- During the same storm period, an unknown Alarm was reported in room 100. It turned out to be a high water level in the SUMP due to failure of the Pump to activate and remove the overflowing water from the two outside "Pit" dry wells. We manually activated the Pump, clearing the sump water, while seeing the "Pit" dry well levels were below overflow and receding. We are fortunate that the water did not reach a critical level and flood all the lower level classrooms. We found that while the 20-year-old pump was still working, the switching unit had failed. A cost analysis, for the switch, determined that we replace the entire pump and float mechanism. (PIM\$121). We rushed the change-out before the next storm
- After Vinny changed three wet ceiling tiles in the lower bathroom area, which
  we originally thought was due to an accidental overflow in one of the main floor
  Men's room toilets, it happened again a few days later. Investigation revealed

that <u>ALL the main floor Toilets</u> were backing up after multiple school time usage. We called "Roto Rooter" and the technician spent three hours "snaking" in from all different ways to reach the blockage inside the "Plumbing wall" He finally had to remove a wall toilet to clear the <u>"BABYWIPES"!!!</u> We had to vacuum and mop the bathroom floor of sewage when he completed. (PIM\$1,693 W/Discount)

- We prepared the roof A/C/heat units for the winter season, adjusting a Fan belt.
- We removed the 2000 lawn "Tarp" to storage, filled and staged the "Sno-melt" containers and shovels, repaired the Parsonage Post and Rail fence and closed the Parsonage and Church lawn sprinklers.
- We adjusted the "Hold-Open" unit on a lower classroom entrance door and the lower latching unit on the 10/20 entrance door.
- We called Bill Quinn Plumbing for a leaking Flushometer on a main floor toilet.
- We surveyed all the **Blinds in the Education building** for knotted cords and broken slats. **We will repair one and replace one when time/access permits.**

Retirees

### RESEARCH FOR POTENTAL LONG RANGE PROJECTS

- \* Research the possibility of **new lighting for the Sanctuary**.
- \* Research a possible upgrade to the Sanctuary sound system.
- \* Research a possible refurbish of the Education Building Main Floor Bathrooms.
- \* Research a possible refurbish of the two Room 10 Bathrooms.
- \* Research replacing the rear yard Stairway cover.
- \* Research the possibility and costs to remove and refurbish the Original Steeple Bell and Cradle.

### MISCELLANEOUS THINGS STILL NEEDING WORK

- \* Paint the Sliding Closet doors in the Gym South access area.
- \* Repair numerous Cement issues. (Back walk, Pit wall, Pointing, Washes)
- \* Price professional intervention to repair a rear yard broken and sinking sidewalk square. !!!
- \* Investigate and strengthen the Altar screen Filigree panels which are showing signs of looseness and cracking.
- \* Re-Seal the old office Duct Work to eliminate drafts.
- \* Check for loose stair treads on the Room 10 and 20 stairways and re-glue.
- \*Arrange to grow grass on the East side of Steinbicker. Stones to pit? Topsoil?, Sod?, Labor. "Scout Project?" Extend the Sprinkler system into to the area.
- \* Rebuild, once again, the rotting Front Sanctuary Planter Boxes. (Scout Project?)
- \* Complete the Painting of the Thrift Shop incoming shed. (Scout Project?)
- \* Install a pole for power to the far Parking lot area for Security. (Scout Project?)
- \* Replace the Parsonage/Parking Lot "Post and Rail" fencing. (Scout Project?)
- \* Check/reset coverage of the flagpole Sprinkler head. Zn1/North of walkway.
- \* Touch-up the "Rust areas" on the outside fire escape.

Christ Jutheran's tory

On Thanksgiving Day, 1926, a Lutheran service was held for the first time at the St. John of Jerusalem Chapel on Wantagh Avenue. The chapel, built in the mid-1800's by local farming families, had gone unused for some time. This new congregation, comprised of a new generation of Wantagh residents, gave themselves the name Christ Lutheran Church. By the early 1930's, a plot of land on Island and Beverly Roads, now Island and Church Roads, was purchased for the building of a larger church, which was dedicated on April 17, 1940. From our beginnings to today, the congregation of Christ Lutheran Church has served Wantagh with grace and love for 97 years.



# **White Post Farms**

# **2023 Thanksgiving Pie & Bread Fundraiser**

All orders must be received by November 9th (Pick up will be on Wednesday November 22nd)

\_\_\_\_\_Parent Cell: \_\_

Student Form For Parents

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Classic Pie	NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.			Jumbo Brea		-	Each
Item	Price	Qty.	Cost	Item	Price	Qty.	Cost
Apple	\$25.00			Original Banana	\$15.00		
Apple Crumb	\$25.00			Banana Nut	\$15.00		
Pecan Best Pecan Pie In America 2015	\$25.00			Banana Dark Chocolate	\$15.00		
Pumpkin	\$25.00			Banana Campfire S'mores	\$15.00		
				Hot Chocolate & Oreo Cookie	\$15.00		
Dark Choco Pecan	\$25.00			Pumpkin	\$15.00		
Blueberry	\$25.00			Pumpkin Dark Chocolate	\$15.00		
Blueberry Crumb	\$25.00			Apple Crumb	\$15.00		
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Item	Price	Qty.	Cost	Item	Price	Qty.	Cost
				Chocolate Chip	\$10.00		
Chocolate Chip Cookie Pie	\$30.00			Oatmeal Raisin	\$10.00		
				M&M's	\$10.00		
Gluten Free Opt	tions	12+ Oz	. Each	Soups & Dip	IS 1Qt	All Sc	oups
Original Banana Bread	\$10.00			Butternut Squash & Apple	\$15.00		
Banana Nut Bread	\$10.00			Country Chicken Tortellini	\$15.00		
Banana Dark Chocolate Bread	\$10.00			Broccoli Cheddar	\$15.00		
Garden Zucchini Bread	\$10.00			Cranberry Relish 24 Oz	\$15.00		
Chocolate Chip Cookies	\$10.00			Creamy Spinach Dip 16 Oz	\$15.00		
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# **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023 LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

2023 WORSHIP DATES	USHERS	ALTAR GUILD	COUNTERS	ACOLYTE	COMM. ASST.	COFFEE HOUR HOST(S)
Sun, November 5, 2023 ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY 9:00AM Service (White) LIGHTS OF LOVE	Eric Juergens John Gross	E. Colton/L.A. Munnich's Group	R. Ahearn J. Gross H. Vogel	G. Franz	Elaine DiChiara	Terry & Vinny Ciro
Sun, November 12, 2023 24th Sun. After Pentecost 9:00AM Service (Green) VETERANS RECOGNITION	Craig Sparke Robert Ahearn	D. Ohlander's Group	D. Ohlander R. Ohlander B. Rath M. Soethout	K. Biesma	Nancy Pisani	Dee Bloomfield, BJ Gilmor, and Barbara Stone
Sun, November 19, 2023 25 <sup>th</sup> Sun. After Pentecost 9:00AM Service (Green) STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY	Roger Ohlander Eric Juergens	B. Rath's Group	J. Eastlund J. Eastlund J. Fitzgerald	K. Biesma	Barbara Stone	Barbara Rath's Altar Guild Group
Sun, November 26, 2023 CHRIST THE KING 9:00AM Service (White)	John Gross Craig Sparke	E. Colton & L.A. Munnich's Group	J. Fahey B. Henderson D. Ohlander R. Ohlander	N/A	Dee Bloomfield	The Balduf Family
Sun, December 3, 2023  1st Sun. of Advent  9:00AM Service (Blue)  LECTIONARY YEAR B BEGINS	Robert Ahearn Roger Ohlander	D. Ohlander's Group	R. Ahearn J. Gross H. Vogel	C. Kuchynskas	Elaine DiChiara	Della Rao
Sun, December 10, 2023 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun. of Advent 9:00AM Service (Blue) CONFIRMATION DAY	Eric Juergens John Gross	B. Rath's Group	D. Ohlander R. Ohlander B. Rath M. Soethout	M. Murphy	Nancy Pisani	The Retirees
Sun, December 17, 2023 3rd Sun. of Advent 9:00AM Service (Blue) CHRISTMAS PAGEANT (DURING) & DECORATING (AFTER SERVICE)	Craig Sparke Robert Ahearn	E. Colton & L.A. Munnich's Group	J. Eastlund J. Eastlund J. Fitzgerald	G. Franz	Dee Bloomfield	Adult Choir

IF YOU NEED TO MAKE A CHANGE TO YOUR ASSIGNMENT, PLEASE INFORM THE CHURCH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO HOST A COFFEE HOUR, PLEASE CALL JAN EASTLUND AT 516-781-0491.

Christ the King  No Christian Ed  9am - Worship	Stewardship Sunday  9am - Sunday School  9am - Worship  10:15am - Confirm	Veterans Recognition  9am - Sunday School  9am - Worship  10:15am - Confirm	All Saints - Lights of Love  Daylight Savings Ends  9am - Sunday School  9am - Worship  10:15am - Confirm  6pm - LI Flute Club Rm. 10	Christ Lutheran Church Wantagh Sun 29
7pm - Scouts-Steinbicker and	7pm - Scouts-Steinbicker and	7pm - Scouts-Steinbicker and 7pm - Worship & Music 8pm - Council Meeting @	6 7pm - Scouts-Steinbicker and	Mon 30
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4pm - Cub Scouts: Rm. 10 7pm - Bell Choir 8pm - Adult Choir	9:30am - Spire Mailing Rm. 4pm - Cub Scouts: Rm. 10 7pm - Bell Choir 8pm - Adult Choir	Spire Submission Deadline 4pm - Cub Scouts: Rm. 10 7pm - Bell Choir 8pm - Adult Choir	4pm - Cub Scouts: Rm. 10 7pm - Bell Choir 8pm - Adult Choir	Wed  1 1pm - WELCA Luncheon 4pm - Cub Scouts: Rm. 10 7pm - Bell Choir 8pm - Adult Choir
10am - TOPS: Rm. 10 5pm - Tech Literacy	Church Office Closed  Thanksgiving	10am - TOPS: Rm. 10 5pm - Tech Literacy	Finance Meeting Time TBD  10am - TOPS: Rm. 10  5pm - Tech Literacy	Thu 2 10am - TOPS: Rm. 10 5pm - Tech Literacy
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### **Nursery School News: November 2023**

The crisp fall air and beautiful fall weather is upon us! The weather may have gotten cooler, but the warmth and glowing smiles in the Nursery School have gotten bigger! All the children are loving school and are enjoying their time here learning, playing, working on crafts and making new friends. This year we have three two-year-old classes and they have adjusted so beautifully to the daily routines of school and look forward to coming to school each morning! The two's have been busy spreading fall cheer with pumpkin projects and so many amazing Halloween projects that decorate their classrooms. They loved learning all about the color orange and making circle projects for their shape of the month. The children in the three-year-old classes have also been very busy learning their colors, shapes and getting an introduction to the letters and numbers. Jack-o-lanterns decorate their classrooms along with spooky cats and little monsters. The children truly love coming each day and spending this time with their friends. In our four-year-old classroom, we have been learning about fire safety and what to do during a fire. The children have been told never to hide from a fireman, stop, drop and roll and crawl if the room fills up with smoke among many other things. They have been very busy learning so many interesting things about pumpkins! They have studied the life cycle of pumpkins and they opened one up and scooped out the seeds. The Kindergarten Readiness program is an extended day option for our four-year-old children. The children love eating their lunch here and then returning to the classroom for more fun and learning! This is a great opportunity for these children to have an introduction to what kindergarten will be like next year.

The Nursery School welcomed the parents of our three- and four-year-old programs into the school on Tuesday October 10<sup>th</sup> for Back to School Night. The parents loved getting to see all the amazing things their children have been learning this school year and admired all their beautiful artwork that is decorating the classrooms and hallways. The teachers enjoy this opportunity to get to speak with the parents longer than the quick drop off and pick-ups each day as well. Also on October 10<sup>th</sup>, the Nursery School visited White Post Farms for our annual field trip. The entire school, parents, siblings, and grandparents were invited to spend the day at the farm. We were blessed with some of the best weather that day. The children had a blast feeding the animals, going on a hayride, and visiting the pumpkin patch where they got to pick out a pumpkin to bring home.

Speaking of White Post Farms, we are excited to announce our next fundraiser. We have once again partnered with White Post Farms to sell some tasty treats just in time for Thanksgiving. If you are looking for a soup, appetizer, cookies, bread or pies for your Thanksgiving dinner, please check us out on Facebook at: The Christian Nursery School at Christ Lutheran Church for some pictures and pricing. All orders can be picked up at the Nursery School on Tuesday November 21st. We were not let down last year by all of their amazing baked goodies.

The teachers at the Nursery School attended a Lutheran Schools Association virtual conference on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. There were many wonderful speakers and very informative workshops that the teachers attended. We ended the month with each class having a Halloween party. The children celebrated in class by playing games and sharing some tasty treats! They looked adorable all dressed up in their Halloween costumes. The children in the three- and four-year-old classes marched outside for their parents and shared with them all the wonderful Halloween songs that they learned in school.

The Nursery School is still accepting applications for enrollment in our afternoon three-year-old class and our four-year-old class. There are a few spots left. Please spread the word about our wonderful nursery school. The Nursery School's phone number is 679-8425, and you can also reach me by email at CNSDirector@clcwantagh.org.

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# Coming in November...

November 1st: WELCA Luncheon, 1PM, Gusto Divino Trattoria

November 4<sup>th</sup>: Thrift Shop Saturday, 10AM-2PM

November 5th: All Saints' Sunday ~ Lights of Love; Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 7th: Election Day (Church Office Open as Usual)

November 9th: Finance Meeting (Time TBD)

November 11<sup>th</sup>: Veterans Day

November 12th: Veterans Recognition Sunday

November 13h: Worship & Music, 7PM and Council Meeting, 8PM

November 15th: December Spire Submission Deadline

November 19th: Stewardship Sunday

November 22<sup>nd</sup>: December Spire Mailing, 9:30AM, Room 2000

November 23rd: Thanksgiving (Church Office Closed)

November 24th: Church Office, Thrift Shop Closed

November 25th: Wantagh Winter Wonderland Fair

November 26<sup>th</sup>: Christ the King; No Christian Education Classes

Wednesdays: Bell Choir, 7PM and Adult Choir, 8PM

Thursdays: Tech Literacy Workshop, 5PM, Room 2000

