



# The Christ Candle September 2023

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FOR WHERE  
*two or three*  
*are* gathered  
MY NAME  
*there* am I *among* *them.*  
*Matthew 18:20*

## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ An E.L.C.A. Congregation ~

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### CLC Staff

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Kelly Seitzinger - Secretary  
Abigayle Kubiak - Organist

### Congregation Council Officers

Nancy Zimmerman - President  
Don Winston - Vice-President  
Jan Kopischke - Secretary  
Kelly Seitzinger - Treasurer  
Dara Kubiak - Financial Secretary

### Council Members

Mike Vidimos                      Bob Talley  
Dave Holeman                      Shirley Whitesell  
John Juranovich                      Carrie Valousky  
Art Cinnovski

### Ministry Team Leaders

Worship & Music Director—  
Jan Kopischke  
Choir Director—Lori Zylstra  
JuBellation Director—Judy Rodgers  
Genesis Bells Director—  
Jan Kopischke

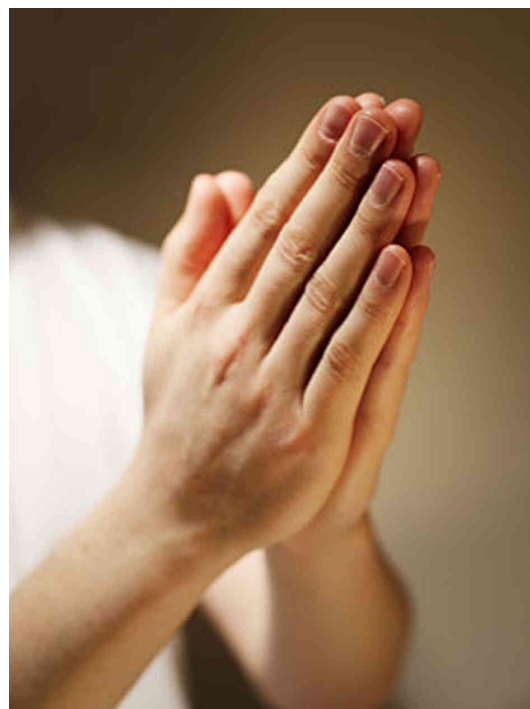
Fellowship - Esther Fuehrer  
Finance/Stewardship -  
Social Outreach- Julie Vidimos  
Property - Don Winston  
Christian Ed - Robin Bellamy  
SCS Superintendent - Kelly Seitzinger  
Visitation - Rosemary Wignall  
Worship & Music - Judy Rodgers  
Youth Ministry - Robin Bellamy

\*\*All meetings are open to members  
of the congregation.  
Scheduled meetings are sometimes  
adjusted based upon the ministry  
team members schedules.



## Mark Your Calendar Dates to Remember!

- Sept 10 - Sunday School Resumes  
Loyalty Sunday
- Sept 17 - Installation of Christian Education  
Teachers
- Sept 17 - My Bible Class Begins
- Oct 01 - Installation of Adult Choir
- Oct 15 - Installation of Genesis Chimes
- Oct 15 - My Bible Presentation
- Oct 22 - Installation of JuBellation
- Oct 29 - 1st Communion Class Begins
- Oct 29 - Reformation/Confirmation Sunday
- Dec 03 - 1st Communion Sunday



### Estuary Group - Sept 6th

Estuary Group with Pastor Dale meets the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7pm in Byquist Hall.

Sign up at: <https://www.meetup.com/nw-indiana-estuary-meetup-group/>

**Sunday School** will resume this Sunday, September 10th, from 9-10am in Byquist Hall. We offer classes for children ages 3 years - 5th grade. We would love for you to join us!



Mark your calendars!!!

Loyalty Sunday is this Sunday, September 11th. Worship will be at 10:30am with a potluck picnic following the service!



Check out our website.

Visit us at:  
[clchammond.com](http://clchammond.com)



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Hammond IN



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## YOUTH GROUP

For 6th - 12th Graders

Sept 10th—5-7pm

Sept 24—5-7pm

Please Bring Your Friends!!

*If you need a ride please call, we will get you there!*

*Please see Robin Bellamy for more information.*



Next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise. The gift of language combined with the gift of song was given to man that he should proclaim the Word of God through music.

-Martin Luther

We are excited to begin a new choir year at Christ Lutheran! (We had so much fun last year!)

Choir will begin weekly rehearsals on Thursday, September 6 from 8-9 p.m. in the church sanctuary. We will be singing anthems on the first Sundays in October, November, December, February, March, and May, as well as on Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, and Easter. We will also again feature music during the sermon for our special May 5<sup>th</sup> Music Sunday.

If you love music and enjoy singing, please join us!

You do NOT need to have a solo voice.



You do NOT have to be out of school; anyone **junior high age or older** may join.

Whether you've been part of choir before or are considering it for the first time, singers are welcome to join us as we give praise to God through our music ministry.

Questions? Call Lori Zylstra

Can you count to four? Do you know pink from blue? Do you know your right hand from your left hand? Can you keep a steady beat with other people? Are you starting first grade or have completed at least the First Grade in school? If you answered "yes" to all those questions, you could ring tone chimes with Genesis Chimes!



Genesis is the first book of the Bible, but the word's meaning can be translated as "the beginning of" an item or time period. When the adult hand bell choir moved from tone chimes to hand bells, Genesis Chimes was formed to help train up younger ringers in basic ringing techniques and musicality, some of whom later moved into JuBellation. It is a beginning choir (though most of my back row of adult ringers also play in JuBellation) and we are looking for new ringers this fall of any age above 7. If you are available on Thursday nights at 6:15, and would like to learn how to ring, please talk to Jan Kopischke after a worship service.



We hosted a School Supply Giveaway on Saturday, Aug 5th, where students came to the church and got what they needed to return to school! We were able to provide supplies to over 20 Hammond area students!!! Thank you all for your generous contributions and to all the volunteers who helped with the event!!!



\* Bethel Lutheran \* Christ Lutheran—Hammond \* Gloria Dei Lutheran \* "I AM'S" Holiness \*  
\* St. Barnabas Episcopal \* Christ Lutheran—Valparaiso \* Cross of Christ Lutheran \*

# WORSHIP AT The Beach

Live Music

Picnic & Fellowship to  
follow

Fun & Games organized by  
Cross of Christ Youth Group


**Sunday, August 13**  
**10:30 a.m. Worship Service**



**Everyone had such an  
amazing time!!!**





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>3 Pentecost 14</b> 9:00am Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	<b>4</b>  Labor Day	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7:00pm Estuary Group	<b>7</b> 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	<b>1</b> <hr/> <b>8</b>	<b>2</b> <hr/> <b>9</b>
<b>10 Pentecost 15 Grandparents Day</b> 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship <b>Loyalty Sunday Picnic</b> 5pm Youth Group	<b>11</b> 7pm Men's Group	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7:00pm <b>Council</b>	<b>14</b> 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17 Pentecost 16</b> 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Christian Ed Mtg.	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24 Pentecost 17</b> 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 5pm Youth Group	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

# Highland Community Band Fall Concert

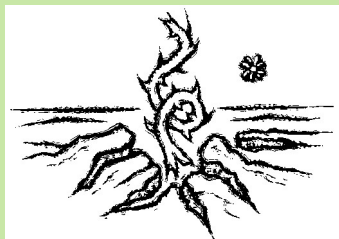
Thursday October 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Come join us for a free performance by the Highland Community Band! Performance will be held at the Highland High School auditorium..

Come out and support our members in the band...it's always an amazing concert!



## + SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST +



This is the longest stretch of Sundays of the Christian church year known by many Christians as “Ordinary Time,” “Time of the Church,” or “Time after Pentecost.” This time is neither watchful like Advent and Lent, nor celebrative like Christmas and Easter.

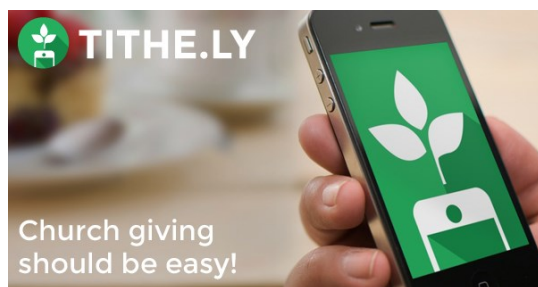
The Time After Pentecost relates to the time between the Age of the Apostles and the End of the World -- it relates to *now*, to the Church guided by the Holy Spirit, to our sanctification.

The season of Pentecost is bracketed by two major festival days. The first is *Holy Trinity Sunday* being the first Sunday after the Day of Pentecost. The second is *Christ the King Sunday* being the last Sunday in the season of Pentecost and of the church year. Both Sundays are given the color of white. The long series of Sundays in between are given the color of green representing growth as disciples of Jesus.

### Christ Lutheran is signed up for online giving.

You can still give your offering in the plate at church or by mail, this is just another way to give.

Simply go to [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) website or download the app and set up an account. It walks you through a few simple steps and your ready to go!



## CLC MISSION STATEMENT

**SHARING** God's love by  
**LIVING** our faith and  
**SERVING** the world.