



The Christ Candle

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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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Ministry Team Leaders

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

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Finance/Stewardship -
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Property - Don Winston
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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!

- Oct 01 - Installation of Adult Choir
Installation of Christian Ed Teachers
- Oct 15 - My Bible Presentation
- Oct 22 - Installation of JuBellation
- Oct 29 - 1st Communion Class Begins
- Oct 29 - Reformation/Confirmation Sunday
- Nov 05 - Daylight Savings Time Ends
All Saints Sunday
- Dec 03 - 1st Communion Sunday

All Saints Sunday

Nov 5th is All Saints Sunday. If you wish to add a name to this years list, you will soon find sign up sheets in the Narthex. You may also email the name to the office.



Estuary Group - Oct 4th

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/>

Men's Group - Oct 2nd

Men's Group with Dave Roman meets at 7pm in Byquist Hall.

Women's Group Begins Oct 15th

Women's Group with Maria Arndt will meet on Sundays at 9am in the sanctuary. The topic is "Joy & Contentment" and will run from Oct 15th to Nov 19th.

YOUTH GROUP

For 6th - 12th Graders

Oct 8th—5-7pm

Oct 22nd—5-7pm Bonfire

Please Bring Your Friends!!

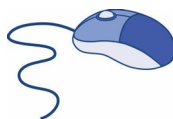
*If you need a ride please call,
we will get you there!*



*Please see
Robin Bellamy
for more
information.*

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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 5th 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.

+ 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.

+ REFORMATION SUNDAY + Martin Luther

Reformation Day is an important liturgical festival that is celebrated by Lutherans and Christians of many Protestant denominations. It commemorates Dr. Martin Luther's posting of his *Ninety-five Theses* on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany on October 31, 1517. This act triggered the movement in world history known as the Reformation. While the historical date for the observance of Reformation is October 31st, most churches celebrate it on the last Sunday in October.



October



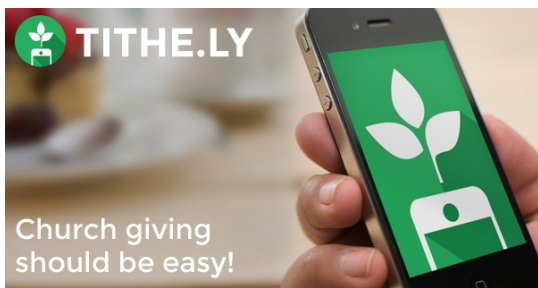
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|--|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1 Pentecost 18 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship | 2 7pm Men's Group | 3 | 4 7:00pm Estuary Group | 5 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Pentecost 19 9:00am SCS & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Worship & Music Mtg. 5pm Youth Group | 9 | 10 | 11 7:00pm Council | 12 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir | 13 | 14 |
| 15 Pentecost 20 9:00am SCS, Women's Group & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Christian Ed Mtg. | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 No Chimes, Bells or Choir 7:00pm Highland Community Band Concert | 20 | 21 Hall Rental |
| 22 Pentecost 21 9:00am SCS, Women's Group & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 5pm Youth Group | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir | 27 | 28 Hall Rental |
| 29 Reformation 9:00am SCS, Women's Group & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship Hall Rental | 30 | 31 | 1 7:00pm Estuary Group | 2 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir | 3 | 4 |

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!



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 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.