



The Christ Candle

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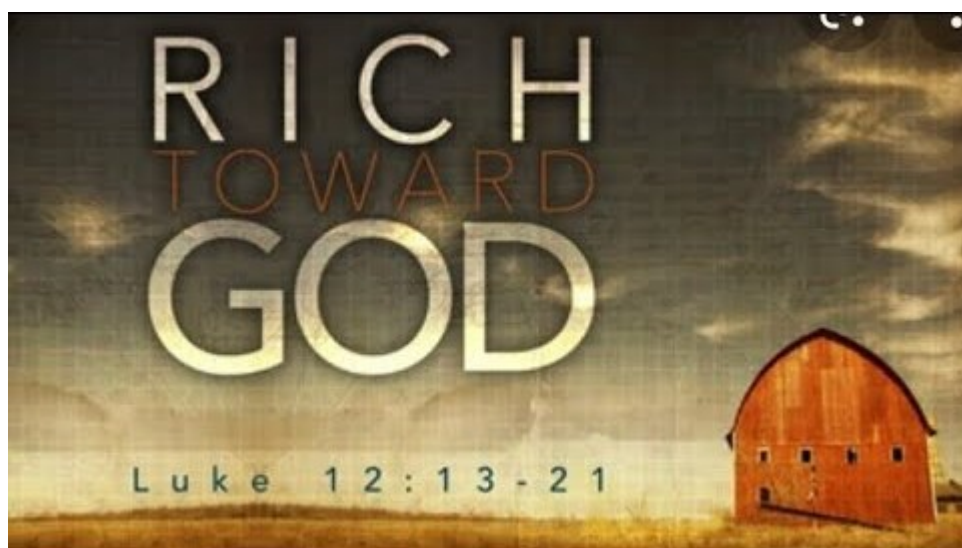
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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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Dave Holeman - President

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Jan Kopischke - Secretary

Kelly Seitzinger - Treasurer

Dara Kubiak - Financial Secretary

Council Members

Mike Vidimos

Bob Talley

Kathy Lord

Sylvia Ellman

Elden LaHayne

Robin Bellamy

Art Cimnovski

Sara Whitelaw

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 - Jan Kopischke

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!



Aug 10 - Joint Beach Worship

Aug 17 - Backpack Blessing

Sept 7 - Loyalty Sunday / SCS &
Confirmation Resumes

"To be **rich** toward God is
to be rich in good deeds,
rich in generosity
and rich in **relationships**."

BOYD BAILEY

Blessing Of The Backpacks



We're sending our Students
& Educators back to school
with our prayers & blessings
during worship on
Aug 17th!

Students & Educators are
encouraged to bring their
backpacks and briefcases to
the service to be blessed!

Mark your calendars!!!

Loyalty Sunday will be on
Sunday, Sept 7th.

Worship will be at 10:30am
with a potluck picnic following
the service!



Estuary Group - Aug 6th

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



Check out our website.

Visit us at:
clchammond.com



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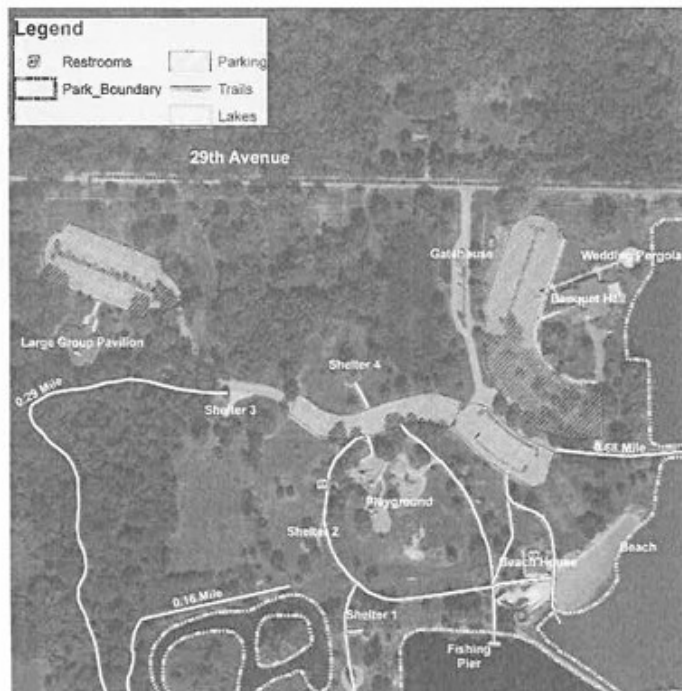
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INVITE YOU TO

WORSHIP AT The Lake

**Sunday, August 10, 2025
10:30 Worship Service**



Location

**Large Group Pavilion
Lake Etta County Park
4801 West 29th Ave.
Gary, IN 46406**

All are welcome!

**A blended
congregational
service will be
followed by live music,
picnic & fellowship**

Parking fee: In state residents- \$5; Out of state residents - \$8

Please bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating

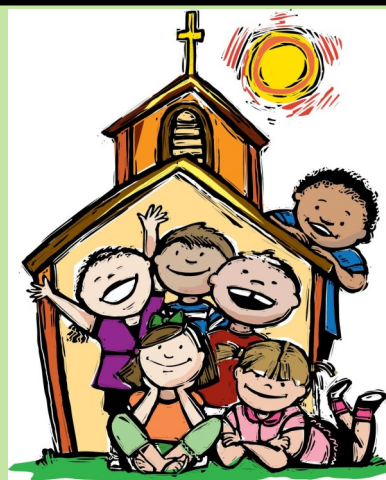
Maria Werner's 90th Birthday Celebration



On Sunday, Aug 17th, Maria's family will be hosting fellowship to celebrate her 90th birthday. They have invited the entire congregation to celebrate with her.

Sunday School

will resume on **Sunday, September 7th**, from 9-10am in Byquist Hall.



We offer class for children ages 3 years - 4th grade. We would love for you to join us!

CHURCH DIRECTORY

In July and August, we will be taking pictures before and after church for a new church directory in honor of our 75th Anniversary next year. Appointments need to be scheduled. There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex.



ARCHIVE PICTURES

We are looking for any and all pics from the church's history for our 75th Anniversary! If you have any that you would be willing to share, please see Kelly Seitzinger. All pictures will be returned to owner. Thanks in advance!!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 Pentecost 7 9am Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Anniv. Committee Mtg.	28	29	30	31	1	2
3 Pentecost 8 9am Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Worship & Music Mtg.	4	5	6 7:00pm Estuary Group	7	8	9
10 Pentecost 9 10:30am Joint Beach Worship @ Lake Etta County Park	11	12	13 7:00pm Council	14 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation	15	16
17 Pentecost 10 Backpack Blessing 9am Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Christian Ed Mtg.	18	19	20	21 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation	22	23
24 Pentecost 11 9am Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	25	26	27	28 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation	29	30 Hall Rental
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+ SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST + SUMMER

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.

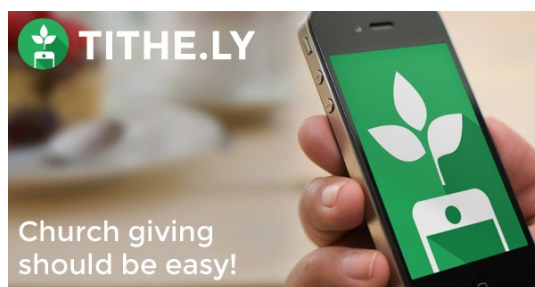
The Time After Pentecost relates to the time between the Age of the Apostles and the End of the World -- it relates to *now*, to the Church guided by the Holy Spirit, to our sanctification.

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.

There will be a liturgy for the *Season of Pentecost Summer* and a different liturgy for the *Season of Pentecost Fall*. The spoken liturgy will remind us of the emphasis during this six month period as we concentrate on learning and growing in our faith.

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.