

Worship

Sunday Morning
Holy Communion
At 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Education

Sunday Morning -
9:15 a.m. for All

Ages:

Children 3 & up -

Meet in the

Moench Chapel

Junior High Youth:

Youth Room

High School Youth

High School Room

Adults - Fellowship

Hall

Nursery

Nursery is available for
children who are infants
through 4 years of age
during Sunday morning
worship and the Sunday
School hour.

Office

Monday - Thursday from
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday from

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Through God's Grace
All are welcome as we joyfully,
Receive...to Give
Learn...to Serve
and Worship...to Grow.

November 2019

All Saints & Dia de los Muertos

All Saints & Dia de los Muertos will feel very different at Christ Lutheran this year. For the last several years, Linda Sulser and I have worked together to plan our Dia de los Muertos event that happens between services on All Saints Sunday. It's an all-generations celebration that honors those who have died, particularly those who have passed within the last year. This year that list of names will contain Linda's. We in the office are grieving. The whole congregation is grieving. Of course, we continue to hold Larry, Linda's husband, in our prayers. I am grateful for Carrie Jowers and Heather Rosenquist who will take the lead for the event this year. Their creativity and gifts will reinvigorate this CLC tradition. I'm also very grateful for Jesus Garcia, who has joined our staff as Office Assistant and who is doing an excellent job. He is dedicated and kind, a quick learner and a compassionate soul.

As we continue to remember Linda and all the saints we have lost this year, we will gather for worship at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 3. Congregants will be invited forward during the service to light a candle in memory of a dearly departed friend or family member, and a bell tone will sound for all those lost in the last year as we lift their names in prayer. If you would like a name added, please contact the church office.

At 9:15 a.m., we will host a Dia de los Muertos event in Fellowship Hall. Dia de los Muertos or Day of the Dead is an annual two-day Mexican festival where family and friends remember departed loved ones. It is a vibrant celebration of life that gives artistic expression to mourning through music, color, dancing, food, art, flowers, and more. The dead are celebrated literally as though still alive, and ofrendas or "offerings" are made in memory of them with their favorite sports, foods, drinks, and pastimes.

We will partake of Pan de Muerto, a delicious sweet bread, learn about the traditions of Dia de los Muertos, and present ofrendas in honor of our loved ones. Please feel free to bring pictures, cards, or any other mementoes that are meaningful to you in remembering and celebrating the life of someone who has gone before you.

-Pastor Leslie

Groups

Book Club

First Tuesday
6:45 p.m. – Location TBA

Dominos Group

First Thursday
9:30 a.m. – Fellowship Hall

First Thursday Lunch

First Thursday
12:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

Gloria Choir

Every Wednesday
5:30 p.m. – Sanctuary

Healing Prayer

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
10:00 a.m. – Rede Prayer
Chapel

Joseph's Sons

First Monday
6:30 p.m. – Location TBA

Lydia Circle

Second Tuesday
6:30 p.m. – Primrose House

Men's Breakfast

Second Tuesday
7:00 a.m. – Bill Miller BBQ

Mulligans

Second Tuesday
6:30 p.m. – TBD

Quilters

Every Tuesday
9:00 a.m. – Primrose House

Sanctuary Choir

Every Wednesday
7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary

Soul Sisters

Second Thursday
7:00 p.m. – Julian's

Other groups meet during the year. For information, please contact our church office or visit our website www.clcah.org.

Faith University, Sunday Mornings, 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Hall

November 3: Dia de los Muertos Event

On November 3, we will gather for our traditional inter-generational celebration of Dia de los Muertos on All Saints Sunday.

November 10, 17: Short Stories by Jesus

Drawing upon the work of New Testament scholar, Amy-Jill Levine, Pastor Leslie will offer a five-class series on parables. Together we will reconsider several familiar parables found in Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Levine writes, “Parables bring to the surface unasked questions, and they reveal the answers we have always known, but refuse to acknowledge.” We will look at parables in their original, first-century context so we can appreciate them more fully. We will debunk some of the traditional interpretations that often limit our understanding, and we will open new pathways to engaging and finding fresh perspectives on these well-known passages.

November 24: Fair Trade Sunday

Hollye Schwartz will once again provide us an opportunity to make fair trade purchases as we approach the holidays, offering for sale a variety of handmade, beautiful, and delicious products made by people around the world who are paid a fair wage. Coffee, teas, toys, clothing, and much more will all be for sale! Come support fair trade!

December 1, 8: The Christmas Story According to the Gospels

Join Pastor Leslie as together we look at the Christmas Story with a fresh approach, contrasting and comparing how each of the Gospel writers chose to present the story of God's incarnation on earth.

Lucy Circle

Women who appreciate reading and good conversation are invited to join the Lucies on Sunday, November 17, to discuss an essay by Joan Borysenko entitled, "A Mother's Last Gift: Of Love and Forgiveness." Please grab a cup of coffee or tea in the CrossWay and join us in the Parlor at 9:15 a.m.

Grief in the Holidays Workshop

The holidays are an especially hard time when grieving the loss of a loved one. The season renews memories, family ties, and traditions. We become painfully aware that our special loved one is no longer present. This is often difficult for families and friends. The pain of the loss is confused with the spirit of the season. Grief and the Holidays is a workshop designed to help those who are grieving and their families to better understand the grief process, how it affects us during the holiday, and how we can use this special time to continue to heal.

Please contact the office if you are interested in attending.
Thursday, November 14, 2019
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. CLC Parlor
Presenter: Edwin Sasek, Porter Loring Family Care Services

Mulligans

Mulligans is a welcoming group of 20-40-somethings who are dads, singles, or married men with or without children. This group of young and young-ish men invites other guys to the group for great conversation to find a deeper meaning of your faith, yourself, and your family. It's a no-pressure place of trust and commitment to each other. We welcome ideas for service projects. Please consider making Mulligans your time for friendship and faith. We meet at 6:30 p.m. on second Tuesdays. The next meeting is November 12 at the Hoppy Monk. Call Casey, Chad, or the church office for more information or to RSVP.

- Casey Passant & Chad Burkhardt

Member News

Births:

- Meredith, born to Kyle & Stephanie Gentry on September 23.
- Saoirse Rhionnan, born to Casey & Carol Passant on September 26.
- Cyrus Stephen, born to Carl Hughes and Cayenne Claassen-Luttner on October 1.
- Jude Morgan Fidaó born to Chris Fidaó & Natalie Morgan on October 22.

Sympathy to:

- Larry Sulser and the family and friends of Linda who passed away on October 1.
- Grace Carbajal and family on the death of her mother, Delora A. Hibbard, on September 19 in Minnesota.

Your Benevolence \$\$ at Work!

We saw the horrific photos of the wind and water damage, flooding and destruction in the days following Hurricane Dorian. Countless are still without homes, jobs and basic necessities. Towns are wiped out. That's where Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) comes in. This trustworthy organization is working with the Florida-Bahama Synod and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Freeport, The Bahamas, to bring food, water and comfort to many who continue to struggle. Your Benevolence Committee directed a \$1000 gift to LDR to aid in the ongoing rescue and clean-up. When you give money to this congregation during Sunday worship, you are bringing life, food, water, and hope to folks you'll never meet, but who will always be grateful to you for your love.

Visitor and New Member Wine and Cheese

The CLC Welcome Team invites all visitors and new members to a Wine and Cheese gathering on the Plaza on Tuesday, November 12, at 6:00 p.m. Please join us and get to know more about CLC in an evening of fellowship, fun, and food.

A Handmade Quilt ... Could Be Yours!

In celebration of our renewed sanctuary, the Quilting group has been displaying a number of handmade quilts that are being sold through a silent auction. The proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase supplies and cover shipping costs as we continue our quilting ministry to bring comfort, warmth, love, and color to sisters and brothers in need around the world.

The last day to bid on the quilts is November 10.

Family Service Angel Tree

CLC will be participating in the Family Service Association Angel Tree project again this year. There will be a Christmas tree in the CrossWay beginning November 17. If you would like to help provide Christmas joy to someone who could use a boost, you're invited to choose an angel from the tree and shop for clothes, toys, household goods, and other special gifts for someone who will be very appreciative and warmed by your generosity. **Please sign the registration sheet if you choose an angel.**

There are often many requested gifts listed on an angel tag. This is a great opportunity to share the purchasing of gifts with another person or family. Small groups may want to adopt an angel for the group to share the Christmas joy!

Please know that if you picked an angel who asked for something you cannot afford, any gifts you can give will be appreciated.

Please bring WRAPPED gifts to the CrossWay no later than Wednesday, December 11. Be sure and attach the angel and identifying label and keep the gifts together in a bag. Gifts of non-perishable foods and new or gently used household items, linens, and furnishings are also needed by these families.

For more information, talk to Jan Norris, or call the church office at 210-822-3394.

Praises to:

- The Tenorio family for helping to move everything back to the Sanctuary after construction was completed.
- Frank Pennington for putting all of the hymnals and Bibles back into the pews in our beautiful renewed Sanctuary.
- Jeanette Wahl for her years of faithful service in keeping everything in the pews supplied and in order. Jeanette is retiring from this position, and we thank her for all of her service.
- Darwin Huartson and Allyson Pryor for facilitating a grief class during Sunday school following the death of Linda Sulser.
- Keith Becvar for the wonderful donation of office supplies from the shut down of his office here in town.
- Chuck & Ava DeFrest for the awesome donation of the new water fountain in the downstairs hallway. Bring your water bottle and fill it up!

Preschool & Elementary Sunday School Schedule

November 3- All Saints Day- All Age Fellowship – NO CLASS

November- 10, 17, & 24 Pageant Rehearsals in Children’s Chapel

Confirmation Class Schedule

November 3 – All Saints Day All Age Fellowship – NO CLASS

November 10 – Class 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. (Lord’s Prayer-6th Petition)

November 17– Middle School Retreat Camp Chrysalis (NO CLASS)

November 24 – Help Younger Class with Christmas Pageant (NO CLASS)

Advent Festival for All Ages

Sunday, December 8, we will celebrate Advent with a church wide Advent Festival from 3:00 -5:00 p.m. Children and adults will travel to different stations to participate in fun activities. Stations will include: preparing reindeer food, nativity photo op, decorating cookies, making cards for our shut ins, creating ornaments, and writing letters to Jesus. Bring your whole family for this special time of fellowship and fun!

Important Dates for Children & Youth

- Sunday, November 3 - All Saints Sunday (All congregation event at 9:15 a.m.)
- Sunday, November 10 - Pageant rehearsals begin during Sunday School (3 years old through 5th grade)
- Friday, November 15 - November 17 - Middle School Retreat
- Sunday, December 1 – Hanging of the Greens: Children decorate ornaments for the Christmas Tree
- Sunday, December 8 - Advent Festival in Fellowship Hall, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, December 14 - Pageant Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. in Sanctuary
- Sunday, December 15 - Christmas Pageant at 9:15 a.m. in Sanctuary; children should arrive by 8:00 a.m.
- Sunday, December 22 & 29 - No Sunday School, Christmas Break

Gloria Choir (Kinder-8th)

Regular Wednesday Night Choir schedule: 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday Choir dates for the rest of this fall:

November 6, 13, 20: Regular schedule

November 27: NO CHOIR – Happy Thanksgiving!

December 4 & 11: Regular schedule (PLEASE NOTE DECEMBER 11 IS THE LAST REHEARSAL FOR FALL)

Children will sing at the 10:30 a.m. worship service on the following Sundays, November 10 and December 1. Please arrive at the choir risers by 10:00 a.m. on those Sundays.

Save the Date: Children's Choir

Saturday, December 21, the Gloria choir will sing carols on the San Antonio River (yes, we have a river barge). Mrs. Sharon will share more details soon.

Christmas Pageant: Sunday, December 15

Introducing "Just A Little Christmas"... on December 15 at 9:15 a.m., the preschool and elementary children will tell the story of Christmas to the congregation during the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary.

Pageant rehearsals will begin November 10 during the Sunday school hour – 9:15 a.m. -10:15 a.m. and will continue every Sunday following until the morning of the pageant.

Please mark your calendar for this special time with our children.

FX3 (6th-8th) & the Light (9th-12th)

Our middle and high school youth are regularly invited the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for a special time of faith and fellowship with friends. These evenings consist of Bible study, prayer, fellowship, and dinner. We will explore scripture in an open conversation to link worship and the Word of God to our everyday lives. Our faith is always growing, so let's grow together! Don't forget to bring a friend!

In November, we will meet on Sunday, November 3 for a Friendsgiving Feast. **Please note there is no FX3 on November 17 (due to MS Retreat).**

Middle School Retreat at Camp Chrysalis: "It's not what you do... it's what God did!" November 15-17

Middle school youth are invited to come to camp to discover that following God is not about the glory; it's about the cross. Camp fun and interactive, faith-filled learning with other Synod youth are all a part of the Gathering experience. Youth will stay in cabins with youth from other churches and Cross Trails staff or an adult from our church. Cross Trails requires parents/legal guardians to submit registration for their youth.

Register your child now.

Registration is now open; there is a \$10 savings by signing up by the end of October. Space is limited due to staffing, so please sign up soon. Once you have registered, please let me know. If you signed up to be a chaperone, I will reach out to you once we have an idea of how many kiddos are going.

Grades 6-8 – Group Registration Only – Online Registration Only

DATES: November 15-17, 2019 at Camp Chrysalis

EARLY BIRD COST:

Youth and Adults staying in Adult Cabin: \$110

Adults staying with Youth: \$55

Early Bird Price ends November 1. After this date, fees increase by \$10 per participant.

Registration Closes: November 12

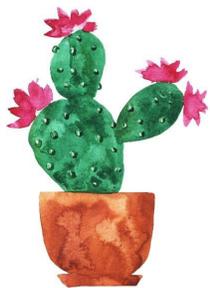
Scholarships are available; please let Carrie know if you need more information.

Companionate Ministry

The Companionate Ministry Team continues to walk alongside Brenda and her family, and our friend from Cameroon, Ndeh Moma. All these years we've been with Brenda, it has been our hope that her children will get an education, thrive and transcend the struggles that their mom has faced throughout her life. Two recent stories give us hope. First, Brenda and Bobby went to their children's school to advocate for one of the children who was getting bullied on the school bus. The principal was so proud of them for their courage and love in speaking out that she recruited Bobby to become active in the PTO. Wow! Recently, we found out one of the girls was selected for student council at her elementary school. We are so proud of this family.

On the bad news end of things (and trying to overcome homelessness and poverty always carries some bad news), their old van (a gift from a CLC family several years ago) needs a new transmission. If you'd like to make a contribution to help them, they would be grateful.

Moma is awaiting word on the results of the Bar exam he took this summer, and in the meantime, he is working in the Rio Grande Valley with a United Methodist ministry providing legal assistance to immigrants. He recently passed his driver's test and is eagerly awaiting his driver's license! (We thank Paul Pfeifer for taking Moma under his protective wing and helping him learn to drive and offering him the blessed gift of friendship.) We are so proud of Moma!



CHRIST LUTHERAN DAY SCHOOL
**WILD WEST
FALL FEST
2019**

**Join the Day School for their annual Fall Fest on
Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019, 7-10pm,
CLDS Fellowship Hall.**

Dinner, drinks, live music, silent auction and raffle.

**Tickets are \$50 each and can be reserved by
emailing christlutherandayschool@yahoo.com**

**or you can purchase at the door on Nov. 7.
(Cash, Check or Venmo @ChristLutheran-DaySchool)**

**If you are unable to attend Fall Fest,
but would still like to support the school, underwriting in
any amount is always appreciated!**

Staff

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During the month of November, we will be collecting food items to help stock the food pantry at Agape Ministries which is one of our Benevolence Partners. Here is the list of items they need:

Crackers	Crackers	Pasta
Canned Meat	Cereal	Peanut Butter
Canned Fruit	Canned Vegetables	Coffee
Dog Food	Diapers	Baby Wipes

Please bring your donations to the CrossWay or the church office. Thanks for your support!