

CHRIST'S COMMUNIQUE

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APRIL 2024



9am Drive-In Worship

**WE ARE BACK
OUTSIDE!**

Drive-In parking lot
worship, bring your own
chair, device for bulletin if able, bulletins and
padded folding chairs are available. **FM88.1**
Live Streaming on FB & later on our website.

TOGETHER
@ 10
Faith
Formation for
All Ages



11 am
Traditional
Traditional Worship in
the Sanctuary.
Currently
worshippers are
invited to receive
Holy Communion at
the Nave level.
Individual communion,
masks & hand sanitizer
are provided.

PASTOR'S NOTE

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.*

From the first verse of the first Easter Hymn in our Book of Worship. "The Day of Resurrection" written by John of Damascus 696-754 AD. He was a scholar and "deep thinker" whose interests were quite diverse. John of Damascus was an Arab Christian monk, priest, hymnographer, and defender of the faith.

Easter Hymns proclaim the incredible "Good News" of the Resurrection of Christ on Easter Morn. The victory over the grave that ensures our life with God through Christ's triumph. The heavens are "joyful" and earth can sing the song of life eternal with God. It is no wonder that we often sing these hymns during the celebration of a loved one's passing. It is appropriate to be grieved by loss but the empty tomb is the sign of the immortal life with God.

I often hear the chorus of trumpets resounding when we sing these songs of celebration. The dynamics are uplifting and we are caught up in the emotion of praise. It is by the power of the Holy Spirit and to the Glory of God that Christ has risen... **Hallelujah!!!**

*Now let the heav'ns be joyful, let earth its song
begin, the round world keep high triumph and
all that is therein. Let all things, seen and
unseen, their notes of gladness blend;
**for Christ, the Lord has risen, our joy that has
no end!***

Peace, Pastor Dave

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CONFIRMATION INFO.

- 3pm Sunday **April 21** @ St. Mark's followed by a Youth Scavenger Hunt downtown!
- **May 5**, 8th Graders meet with Pastor Cindy
- **FYI:** don't forget your Worship notes, pick up in the Narthex
- Confirmation Mentors and Students - Monthly meetings, place and time determined by parents and mentors, discussion guides provided
- Family Project due **April 28**

Questions contact
Pastor Cindy



ROANOKE VALLEY LUTHERAN Children & Families (infants – 5th grade)

Sunday **April 28**, 3-5pm
@ St Philip Lutheran
Outdoor Fun and Games.
Bring a snack to share.
RSVP to Pastor Cindy



IT'S BACK!! Ladies Crazy Cards
Ladies of the church come visit, laugh, & have some fun playing **Crazy Cards!** No experience is necessary! This is a great way to get to know one another!

When: April 16 at 6:30 pm

Where: Fellowship Hall

Bring \$5 and a snack to share.

Lemonade, Tea & water will be provided.

Please **RSVP** to Cheri or the church office by April 15!

Thank you!



TOGETHER @ 10

On the first and third Sundays all ages meet together in the Fellowship Hall. On alternate Sundays, we gather in age-level groups. Each week we seek to grow in our faith together while having a great time! You are invited each week or whenever you are able!

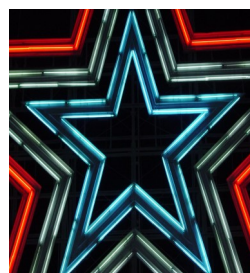
April 7 & 21 - All Ages Together: All Ages Together for Learning, Fun & Fellowship. We are meeting in the Fellowship Hall

April 14 & 28 - Ages 3 – 5th grade, Middle/High School Youth, Adults– Video and Discussion

ROANOKE VALLEY
LUTHERAN YOUTH



ROANOKE
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LUTHERAN
YOUTH
(RVLY) @ 4pm



APRIL EVENTS



OFFERINGS

Thank you for continuing to give of your finances to support Christ Lutheran Church and our community ministries.

Consider using one of these options for consistent giving.

- 1) **Online** (secure.myvanco.com), takes you to the General Fund to donate. This option is helpful to create automatic recurring donations.
- 2) You can put your check in the **US postal service** to the church address.
- 3) Place offering in the **basket** at the 9am service & in the **plate** at the 11am service.



Christ Lutheran Church,

I have been teaching for 25 years at Noah's Landing. I have felt part of the active faith community as we encounter many members during our school day. Your donation in memory of my Dad, is a loving gesture and very appreciated.

Sharon



Thank you all for your donations of items for Soup for Seniors. We received a letter from LOA to thank us for the donations we sent 263 pounds of food. Our donation made it possible for Soup for Seniors to provide 2,882 bags of nutritious and filling food to older adults in our community.

Thank you all who took part in our February 29 Blood Drive. We had 23 donors registered, 1 donor was deferred, and 21 units were collected. The Red Cross was very please with the drive and the willingness of the donors to share this life saving gift.



**American
Red Cross**



Since John passed away, this has been the hardest time of my life. All the cards, prayers and kind thoughts from the church family have been a comfort. A special thanks to Pastor Dave, Pastor Cindy, Nancy and Fiona for a meaningful funeral service. Also, thank you to all who helped in many ways for the reception.

*Thanks you ! Thank you !
Helen.*



Virginia Synod Assembly (ELCA) Zoom meeting @ 9-Noon, **April 27** here at Christ Lutheran. We need a few more volunteers to join this meeting from our congregation. Let Pastor Cindy or Pastor Dave know if you are available. Many Thanks

OPPORTUNITIES

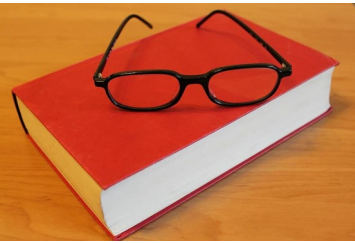


SAVE THE DATE

Weekend VBS is coming for All Ages

July 5-7!

Friday: 5:30-8:30pm with dinner, Saturday: 10-2pm with lunch, and Sunday: 9-11am with brunch.



BOOK STUDY

Our Thursday morning book study @10am has been a great success. This group will continue to meet starting on **April 18** looking at Boundless Compassion by Sister Joyce Rupp. All are welcome to join this group, contact Pastor Cindy with questions.

7TH DAY RECAP

Thanks be to God - and to all who contributed leadership and energy - for this year's Seventh Day (or "7th Day") event on March 2-3! Our theme was "Listen, God is Calling!" and we welcomed nearly 100 youth and adults at Eagle Eyrie conference center. If you would like to see a few photos from the weekend, [click here for a short video!](#)



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IF YOU ARE A KROGER CUSTOMER YOU CAN ADD REWARDS TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



Here's how it works:

1. Create a digital account.

A digital account is needed to participate in Kroger Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.

2. Link your Card to an organization.

Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Kroger Community Rewards selection on your digital account.

1. Sign in to your digital account.

2. Search for your organization.

3. Enter the name: **Christ Lutheran Roanoke, (with our address).**

4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save".

Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.

3. Your organization earns.

Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

If you have any questions, please contact our [Customer Service Center](#).

Thank you so much for supporting our church family in an easy way!

APRIL EVENTS

PRAYERS FOR

30.24- Shirley (Bill's mom hospice care), Eric, Fires in the Shenandoah Valley

3.17- Delores, Herman, Hogan family, Kelly, Toni & Bill, Laurenson family

3.10- Bob, Cole, Hailey family, Don, Doris (cancer treatment), Linda (surgery), Betsy (safe travels), Logan, Geri

3.03- Adah & family (Adah is in intensive care after a car accident), Chris, Heather, Joe, Chris

2.25- Lyda (Robin's mother), Woody, Caryl, James, Sharon, Rindy (surgery recovery)

Families of: 2/18- Helen, Andy (Robin's ex-Husband)



Sunday Scripture Readings APRIL 2024

April 7– 2nd Sunday of Easter:

Acts 4:13-35, Ps 133, 1 John 1:1-2:2,
John 20:19-31

April 14– 3rd Sunday of Easter:

Acts 3:12-19, Ps 4, 1 John 3:1-10, John
3:14-21

April 21– 4th Sunday of Easter:

Jer 31:31-34, Ps 51:1-12, Heb 5:5-10,
John 12:20-33

April 28– 5th Sunday of Easter:

Isa 50:4-9a, Ps 31:9-16, Phil 2:5-11,
Mark 14:1–15:47

Adult Bible Study

Monday mornings, meet in the FSH at 10:30am. Contact pastors if you would like to attend. All are welcome to join this group. Passages for the next Sunday will be studied,

Questions Pastor Cindy & Pastor Dave.



CHRIST COMMITTEES 2024

Finance: Jim, **Council Liaison:** Mark, Chip,
Members: Pastor Dave, Cheri, Donna, Joyce, Tom,
Tom, Diana, Judy

Property: George, **Council Liaison:** Bobl, Chip,
Members: Pastor Dave, Ed, Greg, Jim, Linda, Mark

Worship & Music: Joan,
Council Liaison: Robin, **Members:** Emily, Sue, Tom,
Ed, Alice, Betty

Personnel: Julie, **Council Liaison:** Carol,
Members: Sheila

Christian Ed: Kate, **Council Liaison:** Lynne,
Members: Donna, Sue, Ed, Joan, Pastor Cindy

Stewardship: Blue,
Council Liaison: Parker, **Members:** Bruce

Life: Shelley, **Council Liaison:** Cheri
Members: Warren, Bev,

Evangelism: Amy, **Council Liaison:** Amy,
Members: Diane, Pastor Cindy

Hospitality: Brian, **Council Liaison:** ?
Members: Shelley

J.H. Scholarship: Mike, **Council Liaison:** ?
Members: Diane, Joyce, Julie, Sheila, Pastor Dave, Jean
& Jim, Pastor Cindy, Tom

Youth: Alex

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



SOCIAL CLUB: Twice a month, adults with emotional and mental challenges are picked up in the church van from an area home for adults, brought to the church or another designated place and served a meal. Volunteers also assist the participants with an activity. (Bingo is a favorite!)

If you are available to volunteer to drive the bus, serve, or clean up afterwards, please contact Wanda & Greg. **Social Club is meeting April 4 & 18, from 5-7pm.**



CHURCH COUNCIL: will meet **April 9.** Church Council meets the 2ND Tuesday of the month in the Fellowship Hall @ 7pm. Please let Chip know if you are unable to attend this meeting.

PASTOR'S LUNCH BUNCH: Join Pastor Dave on **April 10 @ 12noon** here at Christ Lutheran in the FSH for lunch. Please call to RSVP to insure a seat is reserved for you.



YARN N PRAYER: Next meeting is **Wed. April 17, 3:30pm** in the parlor. Contact Rita for more information.

HANDY FOLK: Join Pastor Dave and the women & men that make up this wonderful group of people that take care of our church building. **Friday April 5** at 8am for breakfast then some maintenance work on church property.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Mondays at 10:30am, meet in the Chapel, contact pastors if you would like to attend via Zoom. All are welcome to join this group, passages for next Sunday will be studied. Questions Pastor Cindy & Pastor Dave.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS!

2nd– Kevin, Nic
3rd– Dave
4th– Bev, William, Ben, Chip
7th– Nicole, Cheri, Silas
9th– Shelley, Mike, Emily, Chas
10th– Jaime
11th– Colin, Sabrina
12th– Arthur
14th– Debbie, Caryn
15th– Caitlin, Sara, Mike
17th– Ned
18th– Charles
19th– Darin
22nd– Buck, Grace
23rd– Bonnie, Jo
27th– Hugh, Cat
29th– Wanda



CLC SUNDAY AFTERNOON PICKLE BALL CLUB

Hello All, Christ Lutheran has started a Pickle Ball Club. Would you like to join a fun afternoon of Pickle Ball?

We will be meeting at the Garst Mill Park Courts & will meet the 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoons @ 2pm. If interested in playing or learning to play this fun game. RSVP to Shelley.

The next meetings are April 14 & 28.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



MISSION STATEMENT

As good stewards of the earth, it is our mission to educate, act and advocate for our future where our children, grandchildren can live and thrive.

Feel free to join us on the **second Wednesday of each month, in the parlor at 1 pm, next meeting on April 10.**

Our tips for this month:

1. Plastic is everywhere! Help our community & our church reduce the plastic waste. We have re-usable shopping/grocery bags for \$2. Contact Shelley & Goody.

One small step will make a BIG difference.

2. We are continuing to collect clean, dry egg shells. Bring yours to the kitchen and add to the labeled container next to the microwave & we will give them to our composting members.

3. The Green team is partnering with Covenant Presbyterian church to recycle soft plastics. The most common item to be recycled is dry, unsoiled plastic grocery store bags. You know the ones you get when they ask paper or plastic? Other items that can be used are plastic bags you get when you mail order clothing, plastic overwrap on paper towels or toilet paper, air pillows, bubble wrap, cereal bags, clean plastic sandwich bags and zip lock bags. More info to follow next month as to where our collection box will be located. Please start saving your soft plastic.

If you are interested in joining the “**Green Team**” contact Gudrun.

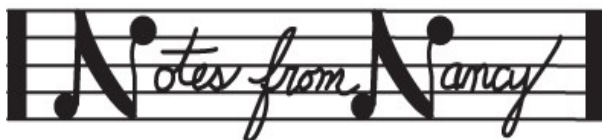
COFFEE AND A PRAYER—STARTING AUGUST

We are asking if we have people interested in starting up this ministry again. What’s involved is offering coffee and a prayer to the neighbors that drive past our church building. You would wear a Yellow vest for visibility, while vehicles are stopped at the lights on the corner of Grandin Brandon. Please RSVP to the church office, or speak with Pastor Cindy if this is a ministry you are interested in.



Coffee and a Prayer – 1st Monday of the Month

On the 1st Monday of the month from **7:30am to 8:30am** Christ Lutheran members will share a hot cup of coffee and a prayer to start the week with those who drive or walk by our building. If you are available any time between 7:00am and 9:00am please join us as we share the love of God in our community. A good time is guaranteed whatever the weather! Contact Pastor Cindy 540-982-8334; pastorcindy@christlutheranroanoke.org for more info or to volunteer.



CHOIR REHEARSAL

The choir rehearses Wednesday nights @ 7:30pm, during the school year.

New singers are always welcome!

EACH WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

- 9am Sunday Drive-In Worship & Facebook Live Streaming,
 - 10am Together@10
 - 11am Sunday Traditional Worship
- Adult Bible Study Monday mornings @ 10:30am. Zoom available
- Choir rehearsal Wed. nights at 7:30pm in the choir room

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