



The Heavenly Herald

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

“⁵ But the angel said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.’” Matthew 28:5-7 (ESV)

When the women arrived at the tomb that first Easter morning, they expected to find soldiers guarding the place and Jesus' body inside.

Instead, they found the soldiers missing, the tomb empty and they were greeted by an angel.

His message to them was the very first Easter Sermon, the Easter Good News that Jesus was risen from the dead; God's Son, who had died on the cross to pay for the sins of the whole world, was alive and from that time on all who believe in Jesus have received God's

forgiveness for their sins and the assurance of everlasting life with God and all the faithful in heaven.

We proclaim that same joyful news every Easter Sunday, as we gather together in the Lord's house to hear again the Easter Gospel and receive His gift of forgiveness that He gives in Word and in Sacrament. In fact, we proclaim that Good News every Sunday, as every Sunday is supposed to be a “Little Easter”. (That is also why the Sunday's during the season of Lent are labeled Sundays “In Lent”, not “Of Lent”; they are not technically part of Lent.) The message of Jesus resurrection that we proclaim on Easter and every Sunday is truly “Good News” for us, but there was more to the Easter Gospel that the angel preached to the women.

The Good News of Easter is most certainly that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, but it's more than that. Not only is He risen from the dead, but He is going before His disciples, ahead of them, and they will see Him again. Jesus' death

and resurrection does not mean that He is leaving them, on the contrary, it means that He will now continue to be with them throughout their lives, going before them. Whether it was to Galilee or Jerusalem, or anywhere else they might go, their Lord and Savior Jesus was going ahead of them, to prepare the way for them. Because of that, they never needed to fear, no matter what life might bring their way. Jesus had gone before them and the outcome of their journey was safe and secure in His hands.

The fullness of the Easter Gospel is a message that we all need to hear. First, your Lord, your Savior, Jesus – who died on the cross to pay the price for your sins – is not dead; His tomb is empty and He is risen from the dead. The fact that He is alive means that all of your debts have been paid, your sins are forgiven, and there is a place in heaven prepared for you. In Christ Jesus, eternal life is yours and waits for you at the end of your earthly journey.

Second, Christ Jesus goes before you as you travel through your life. From the day of your Baptism. He has prepared the way for you and has made the journey ahead of you. He knows all the paths you will take, what each day will bring, and is ready to support you and encourage you along the way. He also knows your final destination and waits to welcome you at the end of your journey.

Sometimes the paths we travel in life are full of joy and they are easy; other times, we have sadness and pain. It has been that way for Jesus' followers since the beginning; it was that way even for the disciples who ate and drank with Jesus during His early life and who walked and talked with Him after His resurrection. Through it all, the Easter

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Come Worship With Us

Sunday Worship Services:

8:00 am & 10:30 am
(Nursery Care Available - 10:30 am)

**Sunday School
&
Adult Bible Classes:**
9:10 am

Summer Worship Service:

9:00 am
(Fathers Day to Labor Day)



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NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

AND THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Greetings all,



We are now midway through the Season of Lent and Easter is right around the corner. Thankfully the COVID situation has reached the point where we are once again able to gather for our traditional mid-week Lenten Soup and Salad Dinner and Devotions. This is always a great time for fellowship and was sorely missed last year. If you haven't attended, please consider adding this to your calendar for Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. You can sign up to bring a soup or enjoy those provided.

announcement that after more than two years, we would be relaxing our masking policy and moving to a mask optional status. This decision was made at the recommendation of our Wellness and Safety Committee and was well thought out by some highly qualified and conscientious people. We are blessed to have such an impressive collection of volunteers serving on this important committee!

Our first meeting of the Voter's Assembly was conducted immediately after the 10:30 service on February 27th. Thank you to all the Voters that were able to participate either in-person or via the Zoom Link. The meeting was very well attended, and we were easily able to establish a quorum.

One of the highlights of the meetings was the approval of three scholarship disbursements to be issued in honor of Judy DiDomizio. Julia Plantier, Matthew Emerick and Kyle Fiedler were each awarded \$1,000.00 contributions toward their higher education endeavors. This was especially meaningful in that Judy had direct student/teacher personal relationships with each recipient and these contributions will ensure those relationships will continue.

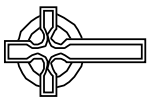
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Thus far it seems that the unmasking policy has been welcomed and well received. Personally, it is nice to see so many smiling faces after all this time. Hopefully the situation will continue to improve, and we will eventually be able to completely return to normal.

Spring cleaning will be upon us shortly and we will prepare our Church for Easter, both inside and out. I wish each of you a very Happy Easter and encourage you to invite someone new to attend one of our services.

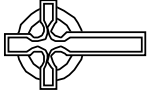
Stay well!
Yours in Christ,
Jeff Mann
Council President







GLG Calendar

April 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 8:00 Inside Clean-Up
3 8:00 Communion 9:10 SSchool, Adult & High School Bible Study 10:00 Parish Choir 10:30 Communion 7:00 Confirmation Class	4	5	6 6:00 Soup & Bible Study 6:15 Bell Choir 7:30 Lent 5 Service	7 10-12 Bulletins available for pick up	8	9 8:00 Outside Clean-Up
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APRIL SERVERS LIST

Readers/Altar Assistants

Acolytes

Ushers (month)

Choir

Altar Guild (month)

(I) = Individual Cups; (C) = Common Cup

April 3 8:00	- Isaiah 43:16-21 (I) – Jonathan Schrumm - Philippians 3:8-14 - Jonathan Schrumm		8:00		Debbie Sherman
10:30	- Isaiah 43:16-21 (I) – Bill Soulier - Philippians 3:8-14 - Bill Soulier		Paul Greenhalgh Trish Greenhalgh John Greenhalgh Steve Behnfeldt	Parish	
April 6 – Lent 5 7:30 - TBD			10:30	Soloist	
April 10 8:00	- Deuteronomy 32:36-39 – Marilyn Miller - Philippians 2:5-11 – Steve Behnfeldt		Todd Plantier Paul Smith	Bells	
10:30	- Deuteronomy 32:36-39 – Joanne Casberg - Philippians 2:5-11 – David Zeppieri			Bells	
April 14 - Maundy Thursday 7:30 - (I) – Karen Weiland				Parish	
April 15 – Good Friday 7:30 - TBD				Parish	
April 17 - Easter 8:00	- Isaiah 65:17-25 (I) – Vicki DePaolo - 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 – Vicki DePaolo			Parish/Bells	
10:30	- Isaiah 65:17-25 (I) – Pat DiDomizio - 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 – Pat DiDomizio			Parish/Bells	
April 24 8:00	- Acts 5:12-20 – Karen Bailey - Revelation 1:4-18 – Bruce Emerick				
10:30	- Acts 5:12-20 – Christina Plantier - Revelation 1:4-18 – Tim Weiland				

Attention Readers, Altar Servers and Acolytes –
Reminder – You are responsible for getting a substitute if you are unable to serve on your assigned date. If you need a substitute list, please call the church office.

Gospel brings hope, comfort, and strength, for you and me – for all believers in Christ. “Do not be afraid... He has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you.”

May the Easter Gospel bring you strength and comfort during the rest of your Lenten journey and throughout your life...and I look forward to seeing you on Easter Sunday, when we all shall hear again the Good News of the Easter Gospel.

In Christ,
Pastor David Rowold

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...

A huge thank you to our Sunday School teachers for giving of their time and talents to prepare lessons each week.

Please join us Sunday mornings at 9:10 as we learn how God redeems his people. We will have a brief opening all together at 9:10 in the Fellowship Hall. This allows us to not need to move the piano in and out of the sanctuary. We are hoping to have the Sunday School sing in church on Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022, at the 10:30; service we only have a few more Sundays to practice for this so please try to attend regularly.

There is no Sunday School on Easter Sunday, April 17. Please come out to join us for church, breakfast and an Easter egg hunt.

Regular Sunday School lessons will resume with an Easter themed lesson on April 24th and continue till June 5th. June 12 we will have a special year end wrap up event, with more details to come in next month's newsletter.

High School Bible Study continues with Mr. Andy Clark.

Even if you have not joined us yet this school year, there is still a place for you here.

See you Sunday Mornings at 9:10.

Tricia Rowold
Sunday School Superintendent

CELEBRATING GOD'S GREATNESS! GET READY FOR MONUMENTAL VBS AT CLC THIS SUMMER...

Vacation Bible School August 8-12, 2022
Volunteers and Supplies needed!



It's that time already! The snow has melted, the earliest of the spring flowers are starting to bloom, and yet it's time to check your summer calendars. We have set the dates and started to think about the supplies we need for decorating. We will need: large cardboard boxes, plain white floppy paper plates, round toothpicks and more. Watch the bulletin board for a detailed list coming soon. We would also like to borrow a small one-person pop-up tent.

We need both youth and adult volunteers, before, during, and after the actual week of VBS. Before we need help to make decorations and set pieces and set up the space. This work will be done in small chunks over time and the week before VBS. We need many volunteers during the week of VBS Monday, August 8th, through Friday, August 12th. We need volunteers to help run the stations, guide the students from location to location, take pictures, and to help prepare the snacks. We need volunteers on Sunday, August 14th to help undecorate and clean up after the service. It takes a whole congregation to run a VBS, so watch for sign-up sheets and details as to how you can be part of “Celebrating God's Greatness.”

Tricia Rowold
Sunday School Superintendent

GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS...

Our featured members for April 2022 are Bill and Judy Juul.

Judy grew up in North Haven, CT and Bill in Milford and Hamden, CT.

Bill needed a date for a high school dance, so a good friend introduced his cousin, Judy Peterson. The start of a life long friendship, resulting in our family of 3 children and 9 grandchildren.

After HS, Judy went to the Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing and UB to become a Registered Nurse in 1963. Caring for patients at Yale New Haven, Allergy Associates, Elim Park, Quinnipiac University, private duty and retiring from the Connecticut Department of Mental Retardation in Cheshire and Torrington.



After HS, Bill served in the Coast Guard, then Quinnipiac College for a degree in marketing. Following 25 years, in sales with the moving business, Bill found his most enjoyable vocation with portable seismic monitoring for the blasting industry. Traveling around the Northeast, observing things get safely blown up.

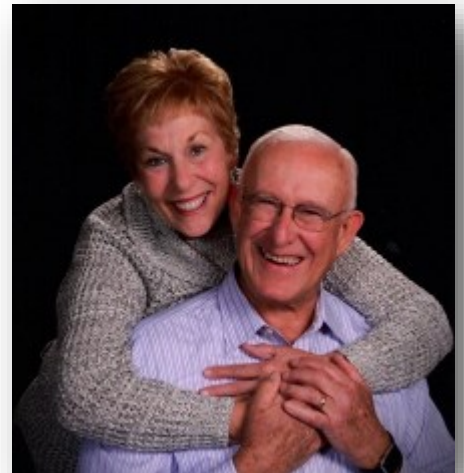
We were married at Bethesda Lutheran Church in New Haven, CT. Judy's grandfather was one of the founders.

When starting our family, we began looking for a good school system: moving to Cheshire in 1965 and joining CLC shortly thereafter. Our 3 children attended Sunday School and were confirmed by Pastor Nuechterlein.

We have so many great memories of doing things together with friends in the CLC family. Some of the activities included camping, skiing, singing in and recording the choir, making Christmas, financial secretary, voters, evangelism, Boy Scouts, Marriage Encounter, Ladies Guild, video production, CLC website posting, livestream & digital scrapbook committees, work on 2 parsonages, church dinners, apple pie workshop, Bible study, inside & outside cleanup, led light conversions, CT and NY Broadway shows.

Travels have included many US and Canadian National Parks, Alaska, Hawaii, France, Germany and Switzerland. During COVID we hiked and photographed over 50 waterfalls in New England and New York.

Our interests now revolve around, photography, breeding AKC English Springer Spaniels puppies, computers and visiting family in Connecticut, Vermont and California.



Written by Bill and Judy Juul & submitted by Karen Bailey—Member of the Evangelism Committee



Happy Anniversary Pastor and Rowold Family!



✠ Feb 25, 2022 4-year anniversary — Pastor's Installation

✠ Feb 28, 2018 conducted 1st Lenten Service

✠ Mar 4, 2018 conducted 1st Sunday Service

We Thank You for your Service — We Are Blessed



Why Do We Give?

I was reading an interesting article on stewardship, which I will summarize for you. It was about why we, as Christians, give of our time and talents, and specifically around financial stewardship.

Should we give when there is a financial need at Cheshire Lutheran Church? For example, perhaps the church needs some renovations... or equipment of some kind... or funds to support extending our ministry and mission. Certainly the answer is yes! Our congregation has a strong history of folks "stepping-up" to meet (and exceed!) such needs!

However, should giving be driven and motivated strictly by present needs such as those noted above? Or should giving be driven by a much stronger motivation, namely an internal desire to support our faith? Shouldn't we want to leverage all of our assets to align with our beliefs?

My conclusion is that to raise our stewardship to the next level – e.g., to take a leap step in our stewardship – it needs to be driven from our passion within. That alone will be the key to raise our collective stewardship to the next tier, and position us to continue (and expand!) our mission in the future.

What do you think?

Thank you again for all that you do!

Rob DeLaubell
Stewardship Deacon

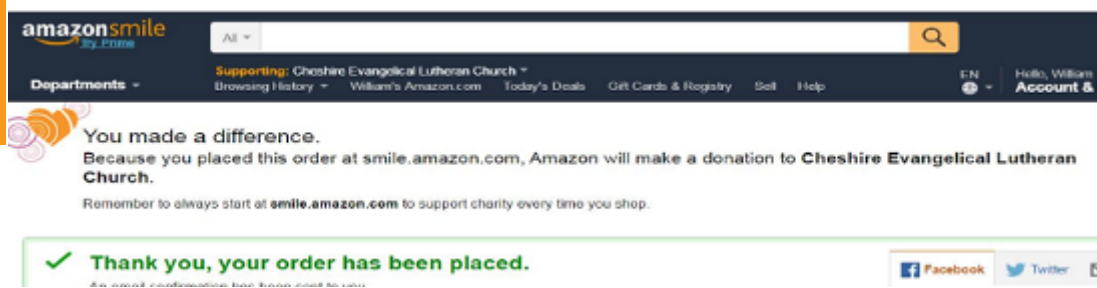
YOU SHOP. AMAZON GIVES...

If you happen to be an Amazon™ on-line shopper, Cheshire Lutheran Church is now a registered non-profit organization under the "Amazon Smile"™ program. So, whenever you shop on Amazon, instead go to www.smile.amazon.com, then log in, using your same username and password as you normally would on the traditional Amazon site. You will be asked to select a charity by browsing the list of registered organizations and selecting Cheshire Lutheran Church. Amazon Smile will donate .5% (that is .005) of the amount you purchase to CLC.

Here is a sample of the screen that you will see after completing a purchase:



You Shop. Amazon Gives



OUR SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER LIST...

The Sunday Morning Prayer List will be reset after Easter Sunday; the names currently on the list will be removed, and names will remain on the list if Pastor is told to keep them there. If you have the name of a loved one on the Prayer List that you would like to stay there after Easter, please contact Pastor to let him know.



NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP DEACON...

You are cordially invited to be a:

- ✝ **Reader**
- ✝ **Usher**
- ✝ **Greeter**
- ✝ **Singer or Ringer**
- ✝ **Altar Guilder**
- ✝ **Live Stream Camera Operator**

For a typical four Sunday month, there can be at least 70 “periods of service” when members usher, acolyte, read lessons, greet other members before service, and prepare the altar. (And this does not count the choir’s musical offerings that make our worship special).

If you haven't been able to help in any of these areas and now are willing to assist, or would like to start, please contact Tim!

Thank you in advance!

R Tim Weiland, your CLC Worship Deacon



NEWS FROM OUR EVANGELISM DEACON...

Our committee remains very busy!

Greeting Cards for Our CLC Family:

- ✝ March 1st we started to send out cards to members for birthday. If you don't receive one please let me know so I can rectify the problem
- ✝ We will continue to add to the types of cards sent out. We will start sending Get Well cards, cards for our shut in's and of course our children and young adults. We hope you enjoy these cards of remembrance

Quilts Of Valor Update:

- ✝ My friend Lois and I went to Hidden Acres equestrian stables and gave quilts to two veterans who are part of the equestrian program there. Their names are Dennis and John. They were very appreciative and it was a wonderful experience.
- ✝ Our CLC group is becoming a member of QOV. This means we will be open to a larger group of people and will be able to get a larger supply of quilts to our vets



Member Interviews – Meet Our Members:

- ✝ Thanks to our three interviewers and their great interviews with members. It is so nice to read about you and know each other a little better. Please say yes when you are called. It is still volunteer.

Scholarship Committee:

- ✝ We have made a change in our requirements for our Scholarship Program. We are waiting for them to be voted on. We have sent out a letter asking for donations for the scholarship program. We want this program to continue to be available to all our high school seniors each year. We really would appreciate your help

Have a Blessed month

Marilyn Miller and The Evangelism Committee.
Evangelism Deacon





NEWS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP DEACON...

Matthew 18:20

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

As we prepare for the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, please join us for our last Lenten Soup and Bible Study on April 6th. We have had a wonderful group sharing a light meal of soup followed by Bible study with Pastor Rowold. We'd love to see more of you.

Thank you to all who have joined us each week, brought soup, salad and desserts, as well as setting up before and cleaning up after. This is one of my favorite fellowship events and it's all about being together during this time of reflection.

Pam Clark



LENTEN SOUP-SALAD AND BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES...

This wonderful Fellowship will continue through April 6th, the Wednesday before Palm Sunday and Holy Week.

We invite all to join us and encourage you to invite friends or neighbors to attend these evening gatherings. The meals are followed by a short Bible study and conclude with our 7:30 pm Lenten Service in the church.

There is a sign-up sheet for those who wish to attend, prepare the delicious soups or help in the set up or cleanup. It is a great way to prepare for the Lenten season. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Clark .

EASTER BREAKFAST AT CLC...



This Easter the church will again hold its Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 17th, between the 8 & 10:30 AM Services. Please join us for breakfast and the opportunity for fellowship that the time offers.

Also, please contribute a breakfast item to share. Some of the items you could bring include: baked goods, fruit, fruit salad, **cooked** quiches and **cooked** egg casseroles.

Please add your names to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Help setting up and cleaning up is also needed.

Should you have any questions, please contact Pam Clark.



SUNDAY WORSHIP ASSISTANCE FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED ...

A hearing assistance system (Williams Sound Corporation) and four receivers have been donated to CLC. A receiver (hearing aid) may be obtained from any usher. Please feel free to ask for one and make sure you return to an usher at the end of the service so it can be returned to its proper storage place for use at another time.

NEED TO GET INFORMATION TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION?

Just slip your information or a note into one of the folders on the hallway table outside the church office. Folders have been created for each of the council members, Beth Soulier (the editor of this newsletter) and a few others, and placed outside the office. We have found that this is a great way to distribute information within the congregation.

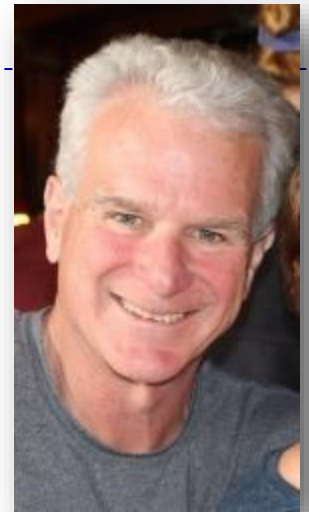


NEWS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY...

Reminders from Your Friendly Neighborhood Financial Secretary:

- ✦ If you have Pledge envelopes PLEASE use them, having to lookup members envelope numbers can lead to human error.
- ✦ Please remember to mark on the outside of your offering envelopes with the exact amount of money enclosed. This is a very important check and balance for us.
- ✦ If you've been absent for some time and want to bring your offerings up to date, kindly use ONE rather than MANY envelopes - since the fewer envelopes our financial assistants must handle, the lighter their workload.
- ✦ PLEASE do not post-date checks.
- ✦ PLEASE use black or blue ink for your checks. Our friendly bank tellers thank you.

Alan Santoro—Financial Secretary



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO RUN OUR VIDEO EQUIPMENT...

In December, we were able to fully utilize and enjoy the new audio/video equipment. Special care was utilized during the purchase process that the equipment be easy to use for volunteers, including those with no prior background in sound or video equipment. Do you take videos with your phone? Are you interested in learning more about audio/video and streaming technology?

Offer your time and increase your video talent and assist with running the new equipment for an 8 AM church service. You will be helping Pastor Rowold and our Service to go live on YouTube. Contact Tim Weiland or Bill Juul for details.

We will train volunteer staff on all of the equipment and help troubleshoot any problems that may arise as people master the system. Your efforts will give you new skills you can carry into other areas of their lives if you so choose.



CLC CHOIR NEWS...

All Choirs schedule slightly modified to include extra rehearsals and performances during the remainder of Lent, Holy week and Easter Sunday. Below is the plan for rehearsals and performances for Sunday, Wednesday and Thursdays:

Bell Choir:

🎵 Bell Choir plays on Palm Sunday & Easter

Parish Choir:

🎵 Parish Choir performs on Sunday April 3, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter



CLC ALL CHOIRS REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE...

Date	Time	Event	Choir
April 3 - Sunday 5th Sunday in Lent	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir
April 6 - Wednesday Last Wednesday in Lent <i>Midweek Lenten Service</i>	6:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Soloist
	7:30 PM	Performance	Soloist
	After Service	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
April 10 - Sunday Palm Sunday	7:20 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Bell Choir
April 13 - Wednesday Holy Week	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
April 14 - Thursday Maundy Thursday	6:45 PM	Rehearsal	Oboe Soloist
	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir & Oboe
	7:30 PM	Performance	Parish Choir & Oboe
April 15 - Thursday Good Friday	7:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir & Sax
	7:30 PM	Performance	Parish Choir & Sax
April 17 - Sunday Easter Sunday	7:10 AM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	7:35 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	8:00 AM	Performance	Parish & Bell Choirs
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish & Bell Choirs
April 20 - Wednesday	No Choir Rehearsals!!! No Choir Rehearsals!!! No Choir Rehearsals!!!		
April 24 - Sunday	10:10 AM	Rehearsal	TBD
	10:30 AM	Performance	TBD
April 27 - Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rehearsal	Bell Choir
	8:00 PM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
May 1 - Sunday	10:00 AM	Rehearsal	Parish Choir
	10:30 AM	Performance	Parish Choir



CANS AND BOTTLES—BOTTLES AND CANS...

Save your returnable Bottle and Cans. Money raised will benefit Little Cherubs. A collection can is located at the back of the Fellowship Hall by the storage closet.

LITTLE CHERUBS LOOKING FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS...

JoAnn, Director of our Little Cherubs Preschool is looking for substitutes. Candidates must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma, pass a background check (finger printing required) and basic health screening. Substitutes may be called early in the morning on the day they are needed, if one of our teachers calls out sick.

If interested or if you know someone who might qualify, Contact **JoAnn Holstein** at 203-272-1150. If I am not in the office, please leave a message. I look forward to connecting with you.

Have a wonderful February! Happy Valentine's Day from Little Cherubs Christian Preschool.
God Bless to All,
JoAnn



NEWS FROM OUR SOCIAL WELFARE DEACON...

UKRAINIAN RELIEF EFFORTS:

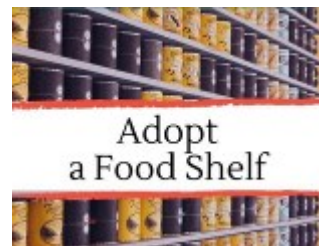
Our monetary donation for Ukraine as of March 28, 2022 is \$2451. The money will be donated to Orphan Grain Train. This a Lutheran organization that will use the money to provide immediate aid for Ukrainian victims. The aid they provide is especially for women and children thorough organizations in Romania, Moldova, and Poland. Your gift will help purchase needed items and help with air freight and shipping costs.



THANK YOU for your support.

CHESHIRE FOOD PANTRY ADOPT A SHELF:

Please continue to fill our bin with SALAD DRESSING for Cheshire Food Pantry.



THANKSGIVING OFFERING - *Update:*

We collected 280 lbs. of food for the food pantry in March!

THANK YOU,

Nancy Engelhardt, Social Welfare Deacon



REMINDER—CHESHIRE ROAD RACE 2022...

Mark Your Calendar - there is a Cheshire Road Race scheduled for April 10, starting at the south end of town. Please plan your trip to church accordingly.



NEWS FROM OUR YOUTH DEACON...



Lisa and her beautiful Family.
Husband Julian, Max, Alex
and Grace

Spring has sprung and we continue to plan for the National Youth Gathering in July. There is another retreat opportunity available to youth in grades 8 - 12. The Higher Things Retreat takes place at St. John's Lutheran Church in Westfield, MA on May 6th -7th. The theme is "Life Ain't Easy" and the fee is \$50, which includes meals and overnight lodging at the church. More information can be found at <https://leader.higherthings.org/events/retreats>.

Watch your email for opportunities for youth to socialize and volunteer. We are planning to go to an escape room on April 10th. Also, we will be looking for help with preparing for Easter fellowship events.

Lisa Muller
Youth Deacon



WEATHER AND WORSHIP...

Who knows what kind of winter we will have this year! To find out when worship services have been cancelled due to weather conditions, check TV channels, WTNH channel 8 or MyTV 9, WFSB channel 3 and on the radio, WTIC 1080 AM. All these stations have websites that list weather closings too! A mass e-mail will also be sent. If you would like to be included on our mass e-mail, please let the church office know.

Stay warm!

Piano For Sale

For Sale by April Slauson

\$500.00 or Best Offer

Email or Call:

Email - jagger1943@aol.com or
Call - (203) 841-9382



I'm happy to have this piano to a good home - Piano is in good condition. All 88 keys and 3 pedals in good working order. No cracks or breaks. Holds a tune well. Comes with the piano and bench which also doubles as storage for music etc. It's the perfect piano for a family with children learning piano.

Piano is heavy and will need a van and at least two to three strong people to move.

Wurlitzer Upright Piano with Storage Bench

Manufactured circa Late 1950's - Early 1960's



LENTEN CALENDAR

Event	Date	Notes
6th Wednesday In Lent	Wednesday, April, 6 2022	Join us for Service at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary and Live Streamed via YouTube
Palm Sunday	Sunday, April 10, 2022	Join us for Services at 8:00 & 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and 8:00 AM Live Streamed via YouTube



HOLY WEEK

Event	Date	Notes
Holy/Maundy Thursday Eucharist	Thursday April 14, 2022	Service at 7:30 PM
Good Friday Tenebrae	Friday April 15, 2022	Service at 7:30 PM
Easter Sunday—The Resurrection of Our Lord Eucharist	Sunday April 17, 2022	Services at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

NEWS FROM OUR LITTLE CHERUBS...

Hooray! Spring is here! It has been a very cold Winter. We have not been able to go out much. It was warm a few days, so we got outside to take a walk around the Church grounds. We stayed together, learned to look both ways when crossing the parking lot. The children always love running to the cross playing Red Light, Yellow Light, and Green Light.

During our time indoors, the children have been playing in the Fellowship Hall, riding bikes and playing "What Time is it Mr. Fox?". This is a great time. The children are counting, walking how many steps their friend is telling them to step before he/she calls out lunch time. Balance Beam and Tunnels have been great fun.

We can't wait to see what kind of birds come to eat our bird food in the Spring.

We will start the month of April taking note of the changes happening outside and we will check the temperature every day! Hopefully it will start to get warmer... We'll spend most of the month learning about the different food groups as well as finishing our numbers up to 20 by counting everyday as the calendar numbers grow. We will continue practicing our alphabet and going over what words begin with the appropriate letter we're working on. We have come up with so many words that start with the different sounds the letters make.

We will end our month planting seeds and learning about growing things...a little bit of spring!

Focus this month will continue to strengthen our small motor skills so that our writing gets clearer and easier.

+We will be closed for SPRING BREAK April 9 – 17.

+ We are letting all know that registration for the fall is open. If you feel comfortable recommending us to a friend, we would truly appreciate it! Information is available from JoAnn and Carol in the office.

We have had several people showing interest recently. We only have a limited number of spaces.

Each week we focus on Bible parables. I have been using different Bible's to introduce the Bible stories. Each Bible story is a little different, but corresponds the same outcome.

Here's to a lovely Spring!

Have a Blessed Month,
Miss Joann



HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE NEWS...

Committee met for the second time in 2022 on March 22 and will meet again on Tuesday May 17th.

Committee members will continue to monitor and update issues concerning covid and the impact the virus has had, and may continue to have, on our congregation.

In addition to the above, the mission of the Committee is to consider numerous matters to insure CLC is a safe and secure place to worship, educate and gather in fellowship. Any, and all, conclusions the Committee may arrive at will be presented to our CLC Council for their review and implementation if they so choose.

Committee members are:

Pat DiDomizio, Nancy Engelhardt, Tim Weiland, Todd Plantier, Erica Bencivenga, Don Drust, Lisa Tyler, and Andy Clark. Resources: President Jeff Mann, Pastor David Rowold, Julian Muller, Alex Wilde and Christina Plantier.

If you have any concerns or suggestion, please do not hesitate to reach out to any Committee Members.

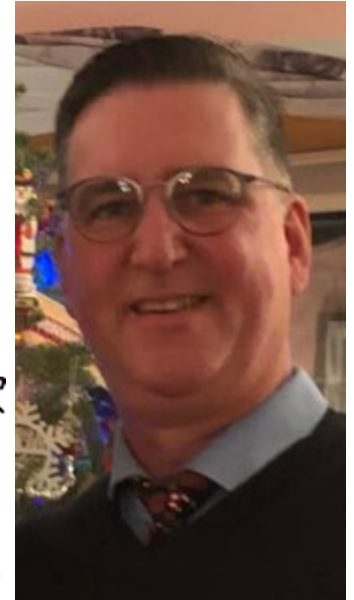
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NEWS FROM THE HOUSE & GROUNDS DEACON...

As I enter my third month as Deacon of House and Grounds, and this being my third tour of duty as Deacon of House and Grounds, I am reminded of how demanding and important this function is to us at CLC. Therefore, I would again like to thank Andy Clark for the six years of service to our Lord and the CLC Congregation. Andy completed his last major project by overseeing the completion of the updated lighting for our Sanctuary that was finished in January.

Spring is upon us, and our clocks have sprung forward with our days getting longer. This is the time for spring cleaning and that includes our House and Grounds. We will be having spring *cleanup for the interior of CLC on Saturday, April 2nd* and the *exterior cleanup on Saturday, April 9th*. Please come one and all to prepare our House of Worship for our celebration of our Risen Lord. Please bring buckets, sponges, gloves and any other items to help with the inside cleanup. As well, bring rakes, wheelbarrows, hedge trimmers, weed whackers and any other items to help with the outside cleanup. I will be there at 8 a.m. on both days.



A request has been made by a member for additional storage here at CLC. I am looking at some ideas I will be presenting to the voters. I am asking for any requests or concerns from our Altar Guild, Christian Education, Fellowship, Worship, Youth and any other committee that can use some additional storage.

Lastly, we are a family, and these are our House and Grounds. Please bring to my attention any item, small or large, that you think needs to be addressed. A member did just that by pointing out to myself and the Wellness and Safety Committee our exit egresses in the Sanctuary are not up to code. As well as other items that will beautify or improve our CLC House and Grounds. Thank you to all of you who put forth your time and treasure to help, the list is long, and you know who you are, I appreciate you volunteering to help lift the load. I can be reached at tplantier@gmail.com or (860)681-7159.



Kind regards,
Todd Plantier
CLC House & Grounds Deacon

CONFIRMATION CLASSES CONTINUE...

Confirmation Class meets on Sunday nights at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Students should arrive by class time with their books and their completed homework. Please note, in the month of April, we are currently only scheduled to have Confirmation Class on April 3 because of April break for the Public Schools and Pastor's time off. If any changes need to be made to the schedule, they will be communicated to Confirmation Parents by email..



MORE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED...

We have an awesome team of teachers who have heard the call and stepped up to help. Please join them. We want to add to our team, so each class has at least 2 teachers. Our biggest need is teachers for grades 5 and up.

Please reach out to Tricia Rowold to volunteer to serve as a Sunday School teacher or substitute. Thank you.



Our Sincere Appreciation



- † Thanks Bill Juul for posting Pastor R's sermons, along with other videos and pictures documenting the life of our church/congregation. Especially, thank you for applying music audio files to our YouTube service videos. We acknowledge that this is no easy task and takes lots of patience. Thank You
- † Special Thanks to Tim Weiland for continuing to contribute and support our Congregation with his pictures and Archivist duties..
- † Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers that set up, clean up and bring delicious soups each Wednesday evening during Lent. Also, many thanks to the Drusts to providing the Salad and Bread each week. We are eternally grateful and Blessed. Thank You



HOW TO REACH PASTOR IN AN EMERGENCY...

If there is no answer in the Church Office, Pastor Rowold may be reached on his cell phone listed in our church directory.

ON THE BULLETIN BOARD:

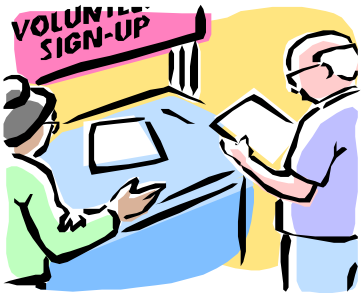
Remember to check the Bulletin Boards and/or hallway table for sign-up sheets and information about various events!

This month on the Bulletin Board:

- † CLC Usher Sign Up Schedule
- † Lenten Soup & Salad Dinner sign ups
- † Information regarding volunteers needed to run our newly installed Sound and Video equipment and sign up sheet
- † Independence Northwest looking for Volunteers
- † Sunday Morning Coffee Hour sign ups— Per COVID regulations
- † Thank You Cards and other correspondence
- † **Hope Pregnancy Center** 2022 volunteer sign-ups
- † **Cheshire Food Drive** Volunteer info. and sign-ups
- † **2022 Flower Chart** Sign-up
- † Monthly CLC Members **Birthday and Anniversaries**
- † **Helping Hands Sign ups**
- † **Pastor Wismar presents Rome, Florence and Venice** trip information
- † **Highwire Dear and Animal Farm** in Woodbury information
- † **Piano for Sale** information

Others looking for help!

- † **Fellowship Deacon needs volunteers** to help make the events happen. Contact Pam Clark if you can help in any capacity.
- † **Sunday School Teachers Needed**—Prayerfully consider serving our congregations children by volunteering to teach them a few Sunday mornings during the year. See Pastor Rowold, Tricia Rowold or Craig Wilson.
- † **Ushers are needed** to work both services. Contact Tim Weiland to volunteer.
- † Telecommunicates Committee still needs help with running the streaming equipment on Sunday mornings.



THE RIPPEL REPORT—APRIL 2022..



For 51 years, the cross pictured below has and continues to serve as a stark reminder of our Saviors agony, death, burial and resurrection on Easter morning at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Oxford CT.

The cross is unique and one of a kind, not to be found anywhere but Immanuel. It was first set up in Immanuel's Borchert Hall where services were conducted by Pastors Borchert and Johnson in 1973. Some two years later this cross made its first appearance in the present sanctuary dedicated in 1975.

The Lenten cross was first seen at Redeemer Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in Bayside Queens in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The Pastor had two large Christmas trees decorating each side of the pulpit and lectern. When the Christmas season ended the branches were removed and the two single trunks were dried and then fastened into a large cross for Lent set up before Ash Wednesday. This cross served as a backdrop for the Passion readings and the Lenten pilgrimage with our Lord. Each week Lenten color ribbons would become darker ending with the black of Good Friday services.

Next, a series of thoughts regarding a lasting cross that could be set up for Lent and Easter and portray the agony of crucifixion was dramatically written in a novel - at the time a bestseller entitled "The Day that Christ Died". I read and re-read hour by hour, details no one could ever imagine concerning the practice and horrors of this form of execution.

The idea came full circle when I happened to find the beam timber in, of all places, a railroad car. I managed a high-volume manufacturing plant that processed several railcars of lumber and wood, weekly. In unloading one such car, a salesperson notified me that an unloading was held up due to lumbar shifting. A 14 foot beam had become wedged in the load. I had this piece cut proportionately and the vision of an upright cross took shape.

The cut beams made for an interesting sight and drive to Seymour, sticking out of the windows of his VW beetle!



While constructing his chancel cross, I, decided to add symbolisms of the entire Lenten story. Woven into the crown of thorns which I placed at the top of the cross is a red ribbon which symbolizes the blood of Christ and palms, signifying Christ entry into Jerusalem.

There are five notches on the sign (INRI) at the head of the cross. One notch is for each of the wounds Christ suffered. There's a notch on the top of the cross and one at each horizontal extension crossbeam signifying the Trinity. An imaginary line drawn through these three notches would complete the Trinity symbol. On the vertical beam are seven notches, one for each of the last seven sentences Christ spoke on the cross. On one side of the footrest at the base of the chancel cross is a white mark representing the repentant thief and the black mark to the right of the footrest represents the unrepentant thief. Four crossbeams serving as the base of the chancel cross are each 33 inches long. Christ lived on earth for 33 years.

The muslin sashes, represent the functional part of the crucifixion because they were used by family and friends of the crucified person to lower the body for burial are represented by a series of colored ribbons. A purple ribbon will be replaced by a black ribbon on Good Friday when the chancel cross will be draped in a black veil.

For the Saturday before Easter, the ladies of Immanuel parish would move the cross, stage center and decorate every inch with memorial lilies. On Easter Sunday the black ribbon is replaced with a white ribbon with "Alleluia" embossed on it in gold. Another

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white ribbon with “Christ Is Risen Indeed” in gold is hung vertically. The Pastor at the close of the services would address each member exiting with the words “He is Risen” to which the members would reply “He is Risen Indeed”. This very impressive Lenten-Easter program was filed in his memory bank for future reference.

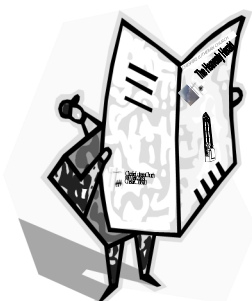
At 8 feet 2 inches by 4 feet 4 inches the cross is smaller than the one used by Christ. That cross was 10 feet by 6 feet. Also, the original cross was a good deal heavier.

Christ carried only the crossbeam to his crucifixion, not the entire cross. The weight of that beam was 50 pounds. Total weight of the Christ’s cross was 170 pounds – much too heavy for a man to carry. The death was by asphyxiation, not loss of blood, as is commonly held. Spikes were driven into the palms and feet, hitting nothing vital. The footrest on the cross was provided to give the condemned something to push against; to raise the body for a breath of air, to prolong the life, and thus, the agony. Christ dying in only 3 hours was unusual, some people lasted for days.

In conclusion, a few years into this program, I received a call from a young lady reporting for the Newtown Bee. She asked to meet with me for a feature article as I set up the Lenten cross. I met with her in a dimly lit chancel location. She asked me to describe what I did step by step. In identifying the pieces and how each fit, I narrated the cruelty experienced in the history of crucifixion. When I used the mallet to hammer the nails, I became aware of the lady softly sobbing in the Pew behind me. She told me that I had struck an emotional chord with the hammer blows. She had not known nor imagined the pain Jesus suffered on that agonizing Good Friday.

There is a good deal more that could be written on this cross and the shameful practice of crucifixion. Should you have further questions or comments please feel free to contact me. Also, there is a video of my homily regarding the Lenten cross on Immanuel Lutheran Church’s Facebook page here is the link - <https://www.facebook.com/1348636046/videos/10205889966632165/>

Submitted in His Service,
Charlie Rippel



PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING THIS NEWSLETTER A SUCCESS!! (May 2022 Articles are Due!)

Please electronically submit ALL articles and information to Beth Soulier (soulierbeth@sbcglobal.net) by **Friday April 22nd** or earlier! Place all non-electronic articles and information you would like printed into the HH in Beth’s lateral file folder on the hallway table. Thank You!

GREETING CARD FUNDRAISER!

(A project of the Thursday Ladies Group)



A variety of greeting cards with Christian messages are for sale at \$1 each. These high quality cards are displayed in a rack on the counter outside the office. We will continuously update the selection which includes Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well, Sympathy, Thank You, seasonal and miscellaneous choices.

After making your selection, please leave your money or check in the box attached to the display.

Thanks to all who continue to support this ongoing program.

We appreciate your thoughtful participation in making this benevolence so successful.

Contact Person: Paula Ongley

MEMORIAL GARDEN & COLUMBARIUM NEWS...



The Columbarium Committee continues to communicate and meet regularly to discuss status of Inurnment Subscription and Memorial Plaque purchases.

Subscriptions

- ✠ There are currently 35 inurnment subscriptions & 4 pending possibilities
- ✠ We have 19 memorial plaques purchased, 3 new and one pending possibility

Linda Gancarz will research the possibility of getting a small number, made by the plaque engraver, to designate the section # of each of the 22 sections of the Columbarium. This would help family and friends easily locate positions of loved ones and would also be useful to new subscribers when deciding on a location.



Flags

Will be placed on the Columbarium over Memorial Day weekend May 30, 2022.

The following congregants now rest in our hearts and whose remains are a reminder to remain steadfast in hope and faith that we will be reunited.

Saints Inurned In The Columbarium

Marilyn E. Allesandrine (Jul. 31, 1939 – Mar. 21, 2019)
 Judith Schnaars DiDomizio (Dec. 4, 1941 – May 10, 2021)
 Richard Hagstrom – (May 22, 1930 – July 4, 2021)
 Philip L. Kenney (Aug. 4, 1927 – Nov. 22, 2013)
 Arthur F. Munter Sr. (Feb. 8, 1929 – Jan. 21, 2018)
 Mary Bianchini Munter (Jun. 16, 1929 – Mar. 11, 2021)

Consider this Beautiful spot for Memorial Plaque or to house your final remains.

For more information, grab a pamphlet and/or contact any member of the Memorial Garden and Columbarium Committee.

Don Drust

Linda Gancarz

John Mulvaney

Vicki DePaolo

Margie Mertz

Randy Raddatz

Pat DiDomizio

Priscilla Mulvaney

Beth Soulier

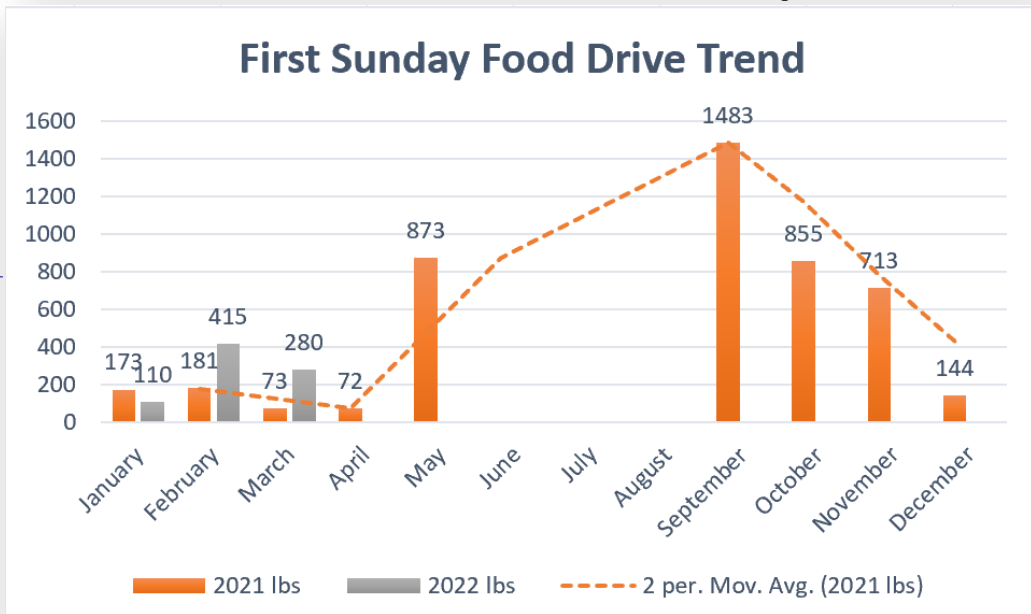
Walt Gancarz

Tim Weiland



DONATE YOUR FREEBIES!

If you happen to spot an item at the grocery store selling at a special price "buy one-get one free", purchase it and donate the free item



HELP WANTED

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry, Inc. is seeking new volunteers to assist on Tuesday or Thursday evenings. Hours are 2:30-6 PM. Commitment includes a few weeks of training either night with current volunteers. Once training & orientation is completed, we could discuss the best evening and task you would like to be a part of. We are also seeking individuals willing to be on-call as needed. Jobs include shopping with clients, reception desk & administration, stocking shelves, sorting donations, and helping donors drop-off food. Ability to lift 30lbs or more is a plus, but not required. All volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact the Food Pantry for more information.

“Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my lambs.’” John 21:15b

LET'S NOT FORGET THOSE LESS FORTUNATE...

Don't let our First Sunday Food Bank donations fall behind last year's totals! Please note that the Cheshire Community Food Pantry is open Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00 a.m. until Noon and Tues. & Thurs. from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Please check expiration dates. We want to ensure the food we are sending is not out of date. Also, please remember that we cannot accept opened packages. Any and all contributions are gratefully accepted, including non-food items such as soap, tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc. Tooth paste, shampoo, detergent, paper products etc.

CHESHIRE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS HELP...

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry needs our help more than ever. Covid-19 has decreased contributions, children are home and people out of work. There are no Sunday donations to the Pantry. We can directly drop off items at the Pantry or send a cash for them to purchase what they need most. **THEY NEED OUR HELP!**

The Cheshire Community Food Pantry is located at:
175 Sandbank Rd
Cheshire Ct 06410

Send Checks to:
Cheshire Community Food Pantry PO BOX 457
or
you can donate \$\$ to them online at <https://www.cheshirefoodpantry.org/>

Call for drop off times: 203-699-9226



WE SUPPORT HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER...

Volunteers are needed to deliver baby items to Hope Pregnancy Center, located next to the Library in Cheshire. If you would like to help once or twice a year, please sign up on the bulletin board.

We donate baby items to the **local** organization "Hope for Life", d.b.a. Hope Pregnancy Center. They are located at 110 Main Street, Cheshire, in a facility provided by Christ Community Church. They will gratefully accept infant clothing and unused nursery equipment. For further information, see the poster hung above the bassinet.

Hope Pregnancy Center is also looking for more volunteer board members and volunteer fatherhood coaches for our Earn While You Learn Parenting Program.



Board Member:

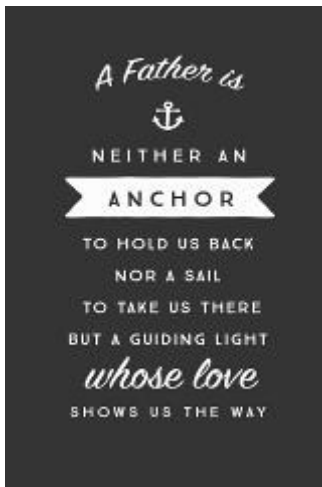
Ever wish you were more involved in the Pro-Life movement and aren't sure how? Have ideas you'd like to share? Are you a decision maker? Feel like you have to be hands on? Hope Pregnancy Center is currently seeking supporting individuals to be a Board of Directors member. This is a VOLUNTEER position. For more information or to apply, email Julianna at hopecct@gmail.com or call (203) 271-2703.

Fatherhood Coach:

Are you a dad who has wanted to invest in other fathers or provide them with a listening ear? Hope Pregnancy Center is seeking volunteer male coaches to be in the mentorship program for Fatherhood and Parenting classes. Coaches meet one on one every other week for appointments, using a curriculum with spiritual applications. For more information please email Maggie@hopepregnancycenterct.org or call (203) 271-2703.

Hope Pregnancy Center

110 Main St.
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203.271.2703
hopepregnancycenterct.org



NEW ON OUR WEBSITE...WWW.CESHIRELUTHERAN.ORG

The following has been recently added to our Website:

- ✦ Wonderful aerial drone video put to music of our beautiful church grounds
- ✦ Live streaming and video recordings of Sunday Services during COVID-19 restrictions
- ✦ Service video with enhanced music recordings—YouTube sometimes does not broadcast the best sounding audio.
- ✦ Audio recordings of Anthems sung by Soloists and Special Ensembles and events
- ✦ Current and Past Heavenly Heralds
- ✦ Video recordings from many past events
- ✦ Audio and Video recordings of Pastors Sermons and other events
- ✦ Pictures, pictures, pictures and more pictures from all our past events other miscellaneous photos taken in and around the Church by Tim Weiland
- ✦ Much, much more...



Bible Studies at CLC

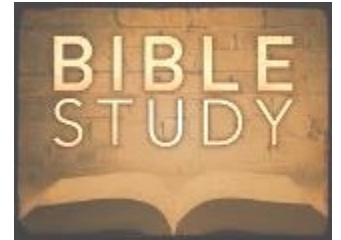
ADULT BIBLE STUDIES...

Come and join us for Bible Study as we dig deeper into God's Word.

Sunday Adults Bible study meets Sunday mornings between the services at 9:10 a.m. in the Church Library for everyone who is able to be with us in person. Our new study looks at various aspects of Jesus' Passion and each lesson will last one to two weeks, depending on the length of our conversations. Please note, Sunday Bible Study will **NOT** be meeting on Easter Sunday (April 17) or on the Sunday after Easter (April 24).

Our Wednesday afternoon Adult Bible study meets Wednesdays at 1:30 PM in the Church Library for those interested in meeting in person and is also available by Zoom for those who desire. The Zoom link is sent out via a mass email each week, along with a digital copy of the lesson for the day. We are taking a look at Genesis using a thirteen-lesson study that will give us a general overview of the book; each lesson lasts two to three weeks, depending on the length of our conversations. Please remember, the Wednesday Study is on hiatus for Lent, but it will resume on Wednesday, April 27.

You're welcome to join us any time, even if it's your first time, and even if it will be the only time. I look forward to seeing you.



CLC HELPING HANDS...

Thank you to all who have offered and provided help with meals, transportation and visits in the past. As we continue to reach out and remain available to those in need, I would like to update my "membership list". A sign up will be posted on the narthex bulletin board for current and new members. Please include your name, phone number and email as well as your ability to provide meals, transportation or visits. Thank you in advance!



"Helping Hands" of CLC is designed to match members' talents and time availability with those in need within our church family. In the past, this has formally included meal preparation and transportation needs and occasional visitation. Informally, there is a lot of helping "behind the scenes" from women and men in the congregation who see a need and respond to it. It is likely there are others who have needs and those who would be inclined to help, but are unaware of the needs. Helping Hands is organized to meet the needs of both groups, men and women, singles and families.

Those able to offer occasional time and your talents, please sign up on the bulletin board, indicating your "offering".

Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Please contact the church office (203-272-5106) or me to request assistance or for any concerns or questions. Please note that all information will be confidential.

Sally Schrumm, Chairman
(phone 203-710-0753)



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

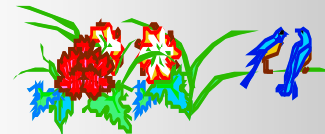
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13th
24th
30th

Guy & Christine Mason
Louis & Gloria Nuechterlein
Curt & Karen Smith

26 Years
68 Years
62 Years



VOTERS MEETING REMINDER...

Mark your calendars:

The next *Voters* meeting will be held on **May 22nd** after the late worship service via Zoom and in person at CLC.



CHRIST IS RISEN!
Christ Is Risen Indeed!



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