



WE WELCOME YOU!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ; to transform all people into fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

OUR VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is to be a community of believers making and baptizing disciples so that Christ's forgiveness and healing can be accomplished in the world.

We are a community of believers because God wants us to be something together and represent God with our unified diversity. Our vision is to further God's Kingdom in our midst.

*Ministry Team
Bible Studies
Forming Now!*

After much prayer and planting of seeds, mission-driven Bible studies are beginning to form for the various ministry teams here at Christ Lutheran Church.

This is a special time *once a month* for leaders to come together – not for business or planning purposes, but to

pray and be in the Word of the Lord together. Being together in such a way allows leaders to listen together to where the Lord is calling their ministry and make sure their efforts are focused on doing His will.

The teams will use the "Questions of Life" or "A Life Worth Living" ALPHA course as their guide, but the studies will be designed for each specific leadership team. For example, the Evangelism Team's study is designed specifically for evangelism, with prayer and building of relationships with God at the center.

Please pray for our leaders and leadership teams, as well as for facilitators for the studies. Praise and thanksgiving to God for His guidance and direction!

- Florence Heacock, coordinator of Small Group Ministries

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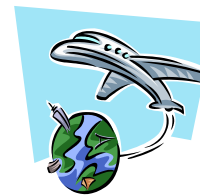
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Updates & Reminders

Sunday Morning Schedule

- 8:15 a.m.** Traditional Worship with Communion
Prayer Ministry Team meets
- 9 a.m.** Contemporary Worship with Communion
Prayer Bible Study meets
- 10:15 a.m.** Education Hour: Pathfinders and
Prayer Bible Study (#2) meet
- 11:15 a.m.** Traditional Worship with Communion

Mi Refugio 2003!!!



Interested in this amazing opportunity to share Christ's love with Guatemalan children? We are tentatively scheduled to travel to Mi Refugio from Oct. 10-19. Please call Jennifer Hoyt if you are interested in going on this fantastic mission trip. 301-652-5160, ext. 5.

Books of Faith, His Wisdom, Knowledge & Inspiration

"Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines." (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)



April Chronicle Deadline

Submissions for the April issue of The Chronicle are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 14. Please drop them off in the bin on Jennifer Hoyt's office door or e-mail them to:

jenniferclc@
heartmindsoul.com

Please browse, check out, read and pray through the books and publications in the bookcases in the narthex, colonnade, hospitality room and small group room (upstairs in the education hall). We thank God for the many "words to live by" Christ Lutheran Church has to offer to you and your family. When checking out a book, ***please write your name, the name of the book, the date, and your phone number or e-mail address in the journal on each bookcase.*** Please also write the date you return the publication.

The Many Benefits of Bible Study!

An elderly woman had just returned to her home from an evening at church when she was startled by an intruder. As she caught the man in the act of robbing her home, she yelled, "Stop! Acts 2:38!" (Repent and be baptized, in the name of

Jesus Christ, so that your sins may be forgiven). The burglar stopped in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained to the officer what she had done. As the officer handcuffed the man, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a scripture to you."

"SCRIPTURE?" replied the burglar. "She said she had an ax and two 38s!"

Special Events

2003 CLC Women's Retreat

All women and their friends are invited to the CLC Women's Retreat on Saturday, March 1 at the Leisure World All Faith Chapel. Shirley Gibbs, a Lutheran woman active in our local Synod, will lead our retreat. For details, please contact Dottie Davis at 301-598-9657.

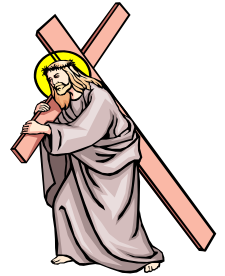


Lenten Schedule

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 4
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
 Please RSVP with the number in your party to Jennifer Hoyt at 301-652-5160, ext. 5.

6 p.m. Wednesdays Lenten Supper
 Join us for dinner every Wednesday night starting on Ash Wednesday (March 5) and throughout Lent. For details, please call Sanna Solem at 301-571-0050.

Noon Wednesdays Lenten Worship
& 7 p.m. Every Wednesday throughout Lent.



Get Ready — The 2003 National Day of Prayer is Coming Soon!

The theme of the 52nd annual National Day of Prayer (May 1, 2003) is *Righteousness Exalts a Nation* based on Proverbs 14:34: "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people." For details, contact Florence Heacock at 301-652-5160, ext. 3, and read more in the April Chronicle.

Church Communication Network Simulcasts

Nearly 20 CCN seminars are being offered via satellite. Start planning now!!! Please let Pastor Marv or Jennifer know whether you are interested in attending or organizing a group to attend any of the following:

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| March 1 | 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. | Becoming a Contagious Christian — Evangelism training for people who think they can't evangelize. With Mark Mittelberg (Willow Creek Association) and Lee Strobel (Saddleback Church and author of <u>A Case for Christ</u>). |
| March 18 | 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. | Principles for Growing a Healthy Church — Principles from the life of Christ for bringing Great Commission and Great Commandment health to your church. With Dann Spader (Sonlife Ministries). |
| March 22 | 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. | Beachfest 2003: Youth Concert Outreach Event — Live from Ft. Lauderdale — youth concert and outreach! |
| April 5 | TBA | Reaching Your Spiritual Potential — How God's plan for character growth and spiritual formation in your life can unfold in community. With Dr. Henry Cloud (Christian psychologist and author of <u>How People Grow</u>), John Ortberg (Willow Creek Community Church and author of <u>The Life You've Always Wanted</u>). |
| April 13 | 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
8 p.m.-10 p.m. | Why Believe in the Resurrection? — Powerful Palm Sunday evening outreach event. With Hank Hanegraaff (host of Bible Answer Man) and Lee Strobel (Saddleback Church and author of <u>A Case for Christ</u>). |

Youth & Family Ministry

YMCA's Bethesda Youth Services Offers Free Parenting Workshops

Family Anger Issues: Understanding the Intensity — How to identify stress factors and triggers, change the ways we express anger and help your child deal with anger. 7:30 p.m.-9 p.m., March 12.

This is just one of many offered! For details or a full list of workshops, please call Bethesda Youth Services at 301-229-1347 or e-mail parenting@ymcadc.org.

Children & Youth Small Group Opportunities

Pathfinders Sunday Morning Adventure for Children & Teens meets from 10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m. every Sunday.

Making Disciples Confirmation Ministry meets from 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. every Tuesday and from 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. every Wednesday.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Hoyt at 301-652-5160, extension 5.



Please Support CLC's Teens as They Travel to the 2003 ELCA Youth Gathering this July!

Several teens from Christ Lutheran will join youth from around the country and the world at the 2003 ELCA Youth Gathering — “Ubuntu: Do Life!” — in Atlanta, Ga., from July 16-20.

Ubuntu comes from the Bantu group of languages spoken in sub-Saharan Africa and literally means “humanity.” Archbishop Desmond Tutu shaped a theology around Ubuntu, pointing to the person of Jesus through whom God claimed all people as valuable in His sight. It is in and through this community of the claimed, Tutu says, that we find our identity and worth as humans. Youth will discover how being made in the image of God shapes the way we “do life” on Earth. For details, please call Jennifer Hoyt at 301-652-5160, extension 5, and check out www.elca.org/gathering.

Registration, travel expenses, hotel accommodations and food will cost several hundred dollars per person. Please prayerfully consider financially supporting the teens as they take this journey to grow in their faith. All donated funds will be split equally among the teens. Many thanks, and God bless!

Yes, I want to support CLC teens as they travel to the ELCA Youth Gathering this July!

Name _____ Amount _____

Address _____



Many, many thanks! Please mail this form and your check to:
Jennifer Hoyt, Christ Lutheran Church, 8011 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD, 20814.

CLC Time and Talent Volunteer Enrollment

Your help is needed to support the varied ministries and teams at CLC. As you reflect on the mission and ministries of the church, please consider how you and your family might be able to assist by checking one or more areas noted below. Experience is not a prerequisite. Please mail to the attention of: Church Council, Christ Lutheran Church, 8011 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD, 20814.

Evangelism

- Small Group Assistance
- Visitation and New Member Assistance
- Membership Directory Publication
- Promotion and Public Relations
- Cooking/Baking/Kitchen Help for Functions
- Mission Liaison

Worship

- Choir
- Readers/Lectors
- Ushers and Counters
- Altar Preparation and Cleanup

Youth

- Teachers Children and Teen Pathfinders
- Drivers/Chaperones
- Guest Speakers for Pathfinders
- Mentor
- Music and Drama Assistance
- Lock-Ins/Retreats
- Christmas Pageant
- Pancake Suppers
- Youth Conferences
- Material purchase organizers
- Weekly Newsletters
- Communications with Parents
- Bulletin Board Decorating Youth Room

Office Administration

- Special Mailings, Mass Print Jobs
- Archiving and Filing
- Insurance and Lease Reviews
- Space Use Management
- Updating Bulletins Boards
- Web Site and Historical Updates
- Contribution Statements

Finance

- Banking/Investments
- Meeting Planning
- Development
- Computer Support and Training
- Financial Planning
- Accounting

Buildings and Grounds

- Gardening
- General Cleaning
- Sign Maintenance
- Seasonal Decoration Support

Other skills not listed that you would like to contribute: _____

Name _____ Best Time and Way to Contact _____

Home Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____

Cell Phone () _____ E-mail _____

Many Thanks!!!!

God Bless!!!!

Small Group Ministries

We warmly invite you to participate in these spiritual, faith-based opportunities. Unless another contact is listed, please call Florence Heacock, small groups coordinator, at 301-652-5160, ext. 3, for information.

ADULT

Prayer Bible Study meets at 9 and 10:15 a.m. Sundays.

Small Group Bible Study of The Parables meets at 10:15 a.m. Sundays in the upstairs education hall.

“Questions of Life” Alpha offered at 10:15 a.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays. Thursday, Friday and Saturday Alphas coming soon!

Small Group Facilitators Bible Study meets once a month. Time and date TBA.

MEN

Men’s Master Builders meet for prayer breakfasts on various Saturday mornings each month. For details, contact Richard Czypinski 301-652-5160.

Promise Keepers events to be announced ...

OTHER

Graceful Growing Together (GGT) is CLC’s stewardship initiative based through prayer, Bible study, faith, love, fellowship, and gifts to continue to experience spiritual growth and fulfill the vision that God has given our church for future centuries and generations.

Teddy Bear Ministry is a small group prayer and Bible study and faith-based ministry of love, caring, and healing.

*“... Pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”
(1 Thes. 5:17)*

PRAYER **Prayer Ministry Team** meets from 8:15

a.m.-8:45 a.m. every Sunday for focused, intentional prayer time to lift all prayer requests to God. Please submit your prayer requests in the prayer request boxes in the narthex and colonnade.

Prayer Bible Study meets from 9 a.m.-10 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m. every Sunday to explore the power of prayer in daily life and to experience God's joy as we learn to communicate more intimately with Him. Facilitators are Carl Seils, Katharine Beckman, Paula Mathis and Niina and Chee Kin Tang. For more information, please call Katharine Beckman at 301-215-4179.

Prayer Services at 6 p.m. on the following Sundays: April 20, May 18, June 8, July 13, Aug. 3, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16 & Dec. 14.

Prayer Requests Wanted

Please submit your prayer requests in the prayer request boxes in the narthex and colonnade. The Prayer Ministry Team collects the requests each week for intentional prayer. You may also submit requests for the published Prayer List for congregational and community prayer.

“... Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:6-7)

WOMEN

THRIVE Women of Faith meets at 7:30 a.m. on two Saturdays/month in the upstairs education hall. A new THRIVE will meet at 9:30 a.m. on two Saturdays/month. Dates TBA.

“Search for Significance” Bible Study meets the second Thursday of each month at the home of Ingrid Dallaire, 8900 Clifford Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD, 20815. For details, please contact Ingrid at 301-654-6962 or Florence at 301-652-5160.

CLC Women’s Circle Groups meet at various times during the month. For more information, please contact co-coordinators Wilma Christ at 301-320-5127 or Dottie Davis at 301-598-9657.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1><u>March 2003</u></h1> <h2><u>Schedule Of Events</u></h2>						<p>1 7:30 a.m. THRIVE</p> <p>9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. CLCW Women's Retreat</p> <p>11-5:30 p.m. "... Contagious Christian" Simulcast</p>
<p>2</p> <p>8:15, 9 & 11:15 a.m. Worship</p> <p>9 & 10:15 a.m. Prayer Study</p> <p>10:15-11:15 a.m. Education Hour</p> <p>4 p.m. Alpha</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>3:30-4:30 p.m. Making Disciples</p> <p>5:30-7:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Ash Wednesday</p> <p>Noon, 7 p.m. Lenten Worship</p> <p>6-7:30 p.m. Making Disciples</p> <p>6 p.m. Lenten Supper</p>	<p>6</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:30 a.m. THRIVE Bible Study</p>
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<p>16</p> <p>8:15, 9 & 11:15 a.m. Worship</p> <p>9 & 10:15 a.m. Prayer Study</p> <p>10:15-11:15 a.m. Education Hour</p> <p>4 p.m. Alpha</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. "Principles of Growing a Healthy Church" Simulcast</p> <p>3:30-4:30 p.m. Making Disciples</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Noon, 7 p.m. Lenten Worship</p> <p>6-7:30 p.m. Making Disciples</p> <p>6 p.m. Lenten Supper</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>7:30 a.m. THRIVE</p> <p>7:30-9:30 p.m. "Beachfest 2003: Youth Concert Outreach Event" Simulcast</p>
<p>23</p> <p>8:15, 9 & 11:15 a.m. Worship</p> <p>9 & 10:15 a.m. Prayer Study</p> <p>10:15-11:15 a.m. Education Hour</p> <p>4 p.m. Alpha</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>3:30-4:30 p.m. Making Disciples</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Noon, 7 p.m. Lenten Worship</p> <p>6-7:30 p.m. Making Disciples</p> <p>6 p.m. Lenten Supper</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
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Mission of The Chronicle

To glorify God, give thanks for His many blessings and grow His church. To promote and report back on events and opportunities designed to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ and serve His church.

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