



May 2024
Monthly Newsletter for
Christ Evangelical
Lutheran Church

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THE MESSENGER

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The Spring Congregation Meeting
will be held on
Sunday, May 5, 11:30 a.m.
in the church sanctuary.



We honor our military among us.

Please lift in prayer all who serve in the military, past and present, along with their loved ones.

Served:

Ed Baker, Navy
Frederick Bender, Army
Robert Carlson, Army
Donavon Clayborn, Navy
Ken Davidson, Army
James Davey, Navy
Ed Donner, Army
Leonard Dvorak, Army
Carl Eissler, Army
Dennis Goodrich, Army
Homer Guthman, Coast Guard
David Heiby, Air Force
Chuck Heindrichs, Army
Karl Heindrichs, Air Force
Robert Heindrichs, Navy
William Heindrichs, Army
Howard Helmink, Navy
Gilbert Higgins, Army
Mike Higgins, Army
Ruth Higgins, Army
William Higgins, Army
Matthew Hlava, Marines
Tim Hutchens, Navy
James Kara, Army National Guard and Reserves
Milan Kral, Air Force
Barney Klement, Army
Jack Kinsner, Army
Gerald Knip, Air Force
Nick Kocel, Air Force
Frederick Lecorchick, Marines
Jerry Maurer, Army
Joe McCain, Air Force
Jason Meiners, Marines

William E. Norton, Army
William C. Norton, Navy
Tony Papa, Marines
Robert Pata, Air Force
Howard Pressnell, Army
Alfred Rehker, Navy
William H Roden, Air Force
Ron Smarsh, Airforce
Ernie Spycher, Army
David Stein, Marines
Richard Tomanek, Marines
George Vasiloff, Navy
Bob Viers, Coast Guard
Betty Wagner, Air Force
Don Weiland, Navy
Travis Young, Army

Currently serving:
Marty Koch, Coast Guard



**Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
Congregation Council Meeting
Minutes April 15, 2024**

Draft version. Minutes not officially approved until the following Congregation Council meeting.

Present: Pastor Laura Kuntz, Ryan Smarsh, Amy Lodge, Chuck Heindrichs, Eric Mohney, Tim Gottshall and Katie Koch

The in person meeting was called to order by Council President Ryan Smarsh at 6:30 p.m. and opened with a reading and prayer.

Review and officially accept minutes from previous Council meeting

Motion: Accept minutes of the March 11, 2024 Congregation Council Meeting.

Motion: Tim Gottshall

Second: Amy Lodge

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Financials thru March 31, 2024

	March	YTD	
Income	\$19,613	\$55,012	
Expenses	\$9,366	\$61,695	
Net Income	\$10,247	-\$6,683	
Organ Loan	\$16,328	Pledges Reserve of 3/31/2024	\$3,374
External Funds	\$858,326		
Internal Funds	\$49,519		

Chuck Heindrichs reported that two of the past three months did not meet the monthly organ payment, pulling from the reserve.

Property

Tim Gottshall reported on completed projects during the month of March. At the next Property Committee meeting they will discuss replacing mulch in the front playground, putting a new fence and removing rocks from the back playground, and repurposing the garage and shed for lawn care items and preschool toys.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Laura reported Confirmation for the two students is going well, and will take place on May 19. The Preschool Board has been busy interviewing candidates for the Director position.

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Previous Business

Council is still seeking a female candidate for the Synod Assembly.

Council discussed possible candidates for upcoming vacancies on the Board- President, Finance Chair, and Secretary.

Council decided to continue to accept donations for Teri Pienoski's, Preschool Director, retirement gift.

New Business

The Meet and Greet of the Pastoral Candidate will be Saturday, April 27, 2024. Council will provide light refreshments in the Social Hall.

Chuck Heindrichs presented the Pastoral Compensation Package to council, and explained in detail on how he came up with the final salary. Council approved and he will send it to Pastor Phillips for final review. This will be presented to the congregation during the special meeting on Sunday, April 28, 2024 for congregation approval.

It was discussed to repurpose the High School Room to a Conference Room. Pastor Laura will come up with designs for the Gathering Area and new Conference Room.

Heather Nordman, Office Administrator, has requested to take classes in QuickBooks. Council discussed and is in favor of her taking these classes.

Eric Mohney reported the audit is still in progress.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Amy Lodge

Second: Katie Koch

Motion passed.

Ryan Smarsh adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. Date for the next council meeting will be May 13, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Koch
Secretary



May Birthdays

Art S	6
Tyler N	10
Gary C	14
Riley K	14
Tim G	16
Marisa R	18
Yvonne F	20
Amy S	20
Thomas B	20
Chris O	21
Hilda D	23
Bill H	23
Delany M	26
Carol H	28
Kelly K	28
Aubrey L	28
Dale G	30

2024 Registration Form

(Please complete one per child)

June 24-28, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mail to: Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
32747 Lake Road, Avon Lake, Ohio 44012
440-933-6263

Scan form and email to: celc.mainoffice@gmail.com

Registration Deadline is May 31



2024 CELC VBS Registration Form



Thank You

Thank you to Johanna and both the Sanctuary and Bell Choirs for sharing your time and talents with us this year! Thank you for your dedication to the church and our choirs.



Thank you to all who were involved with our Christian education this year. Thank you for taking time to share your faith with others in the body of Christ.

Confirmation Sunday

May 19, 2024

10:00 a.m.





May 2024 Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 10:00am Holy Worship 10:00am Prek-6th Grade Sunday School During service 11:15am Special Congregation Meeting	29	30	1 6:15pm Bell Choir Practice	2 National Day of Prayer	3 Pastor's Day Off	4
5 9:15am Holy Worship 11:30am Choir Practice 10:00am Prek-6th Grade Sunday School During service 11:15am Spring Congregation Meeting	6	7	8 6:15pm Bell Choir Practice	9	10 Pastor's Day Off	11
12 9:15am Choir Sing 10:00am Holy Worship 10:00am Prek-6th Grade Sunday School During service Mother's Day	13	14	15 6:15pm Bell Choir Practice	16	17 Pastor's Day Off	18
19 10:00am Confirmation Sunday 10:00am Holy Worship 10:00am Bells Play Pentecost	20	21	22	23 Terri Pienoski, Preschool Director Last Day	24 Pastor's Day Off	25
26 10:00am Holy Worship Trinity Sunday	27 Memorial Day Office Closed	28	29	30	31 Pastor's Day Off Terri Pienoski, Preschool Director Retires	1 NEOS Synod Assembly

May 5

Greeters:

Usher: Eric Mohney
Lector: Tim Gottshall

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Altar Care: Carol Meiners
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

SS Teachers:

Bread Maker:

Grass (4/29-4/5): Rob N and Daniel I

May 12

Greeters:

Usher: Betsy Floyd
Lector: Betsy Floyd
Cantor: Michelle Young
Live Stream: Tim Gottshall
Counter: Julie Skaggs

Altar Care: Carol Meiners
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

SS Teachers:

Bread Maker:

Grass (5/6-5/11): Frank L and Brian K

May 19

Greeters:

Usher: Brian Knip
Lector: Laura Knight

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Altar Care: Carol Meiners
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

SS Teachers:

Bread Maker:

Grass (5/13-5/18): Marty K and Tony T

May 26

Greeters:

Usher: Ryan Smarsh

Lector:

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Counter: Chuck Heindricks
Altar Care: Carol Meiners
Bulletin Folding: Nadine Carlson

Bread Maker:

Grass (5/20-5/25): Chuck H and Andy Y

June 2

Greeters:

Usher: Chip Crout
Lector: Laura Knight

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Altar Care: Jan Wunderle

Bulletin Folding:

Bread Maker:

Grass (5/27-6/1): Keith D and Eric Y

June 9

Greeters:

Usher: Brian Knip

Lector:

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Counter: Brenda Crout
Altar Care: Jan Wunderle

Bulletin Folding:

Bread Maker:

Grass (6/3-6/8): Steve and Lisa S

June 16

Greeters:

Usher: Ryan Smarsh

Lector:

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Altar Care: Jan Wunderle

Bulletin Folding:

Bread Maker:

Grass (6/10-6/15): Bob O and Eric M

June 23

Greeters:

Usher: Eric Mohney

Lector:

Cantor: Sue Frantz

Live Stream:

Altar Care: Jan Wunderle

Bulletin Folding:

Bread Maker:

Grass (6/17-6/22): Tim G and Chip C

June 30

Greeters:

Usher: Betsy Floyd

Lector: Betsy Floyd

Cantor:

Live Stream:

Counter: Eric Klenz

Altar Care: Jan Wunderle

Bulletin Folding:

Bread Maker:

Grass (6/24-6/29): Rob N and Daniel I

How would you like to serve?

Let your light shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven.
Matthew 5:16

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Worship
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School for PreK– 6th Grade
Attend during worship.

Our preschool director, Terri Pienoski, is retiring after 25 years of service and dedication to our education and community outreach. Terri's final day with the preschool is May 31. Please take a moment and wish her a very happy retirement.

Happy Retirement