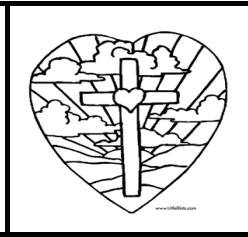




The CHIMES



4250 Page Ave
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March 2016

PASTOR'S PIECE

Inside this issue:

Dear Members and Friends of Christ Lutheran Church:

Christ is arisen from the grave's dark prison. So let our joy rise full and free;

Christ our comfort true will be, Alleluia! (ELW 372)

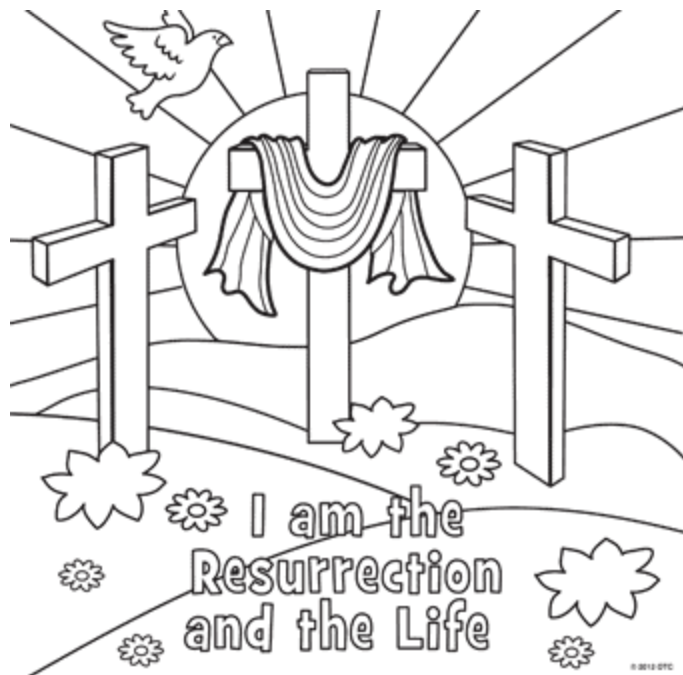
We soon enter Holy Week and the celebration of those events in the life of Jesus—his suffering, death and resurrection—that are at the heart of our Christian faith. Once again we will carry the palms and read the Passion story on Palm Sunday, wash feet and share the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday, and gather in the darkness around the cross on Good Friday. And then we will gather on Easter Sunday and proclaim, “Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!” I look forward to being with you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, to savor these days and hear again the story of God’s wondrous deeds of love that shape and are at the center of our faith. This is indeed our story, we who have been baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus.

There is still time to take part in our **Midweek Suppers** and **Lenten Evening Prayer**. Our Lent and Holy Week Schedule is printed below. As a congregation we are taking part in the ELCA World Hunger’s **40 Days of Giving**, lifting up the life-changing work of ELCA World Hunger. A special 40-day devotional is available on the table in the Welcome Center. May God’s love, joy and peace be with you all this Holy Week and Easter.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Erick Johnson

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MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES:

March 2, 9, 16

6:00 p.m. Lenten Supper

7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

March 2: Soup and Purple Bag Supper

Followed by Prayer Around the Cross: Hunger For God

March 9: Soup and Purple Bag Supper

Followed by Prayer Around the Cross: For the Healing of the Nations

March 16: Global Meal: Malawi (Food from East Africa)

Followed by Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m.



Following Christ's

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Maundy Thursday, March 24: Holy Communion at 7:00 p.m.

Confession and Forgiveness, Foot (and Hand) Washing, Holy Communion

Good Friday, March 25: Good Friday Liturgy at 7:00 p.m.

The Passion According to St. John and Prayer at the Foot of the Cross

Easter Sunday, March 27

Festival Easter Worship Service at 9:45 a.m.

Easter Breakfast following worship

CONFIRMATION CLASS NEWS

All 7th and 8th graders, as well as older youth who have not been confirmed, are invited to take part in our Confirmation Ministry at Christ Lutheran Church. Sunday afternoon sessions are held jointly with Immanuel and St. James Lutheran Churches about twice a month. Here are upcoming dates:

Sunday, February 28, 3:30 pm at **Immanuel**

Sunday, March 13, 20, April 10, 3:30 pm at **St. James Lutheran**

COUNCIL

MINI-MINUTES:

At the February 14th Church Council Meeting the following took place:

1. Acceptance of January 2016 Council Minutes

Board News

- Rental status- reduce rent to \$650.00 plus gas & electric. Post on Craigslist once repairs are done.
- Open Council seat(s) for next year
Vice-President, Secretary, Following Christ , Serving in Love
- Call team status- Training meeting up in Lansing March 1st / Mark Lee will attend
- Bookkeeper position- Shirley Ottmer has accepted position.
- Cleaning issue janitor having problems with transportation and other things.
- Brian Olson will contact Nomination committee.

OUR COUNCIL:

Erick Johnson, Stated Supply
Pastor

Brian Olson
President

Mark Lee
Vice President

John Kolewski
Treasurer

Secretary

Sandy Hathaway
Sharing the Journey

Kerry Pickett
Following Christ

Dan Burmeister
Serving In Love

Todd Pickett
Support

Judy Lovejoy
Financial Secretary

Mike Crouch
Youth Coordinator

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THE FEINSTEIN CHALLENGE

This is a great opportunity to extend your giving to help hungry people in our community. All donations to the Pantry Account at the Food Bank of South Central Michigan will be matched by a 10% match.

Immanuel's Pantry dates runs from March 1 through April 30.

Contribution envelopes are on the table in the Welcome Center. Make checks payable to Food Bank of South Central Michigan and put "Feinstein Challenge" on the memo line of your check.

SPRING FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Orders are now being taken for spring flowers in honor of, in memory of, or just to enhance our chancel area. The cost is \$10.00. Please fill out the back of your response card to place your order or fill out the form below and turn it in to the office. Thank you!

I would like to order the following:

tulip 

hyacinth 

lily 

daffodil 

In Memory of: _____ OR In Honor of: _____

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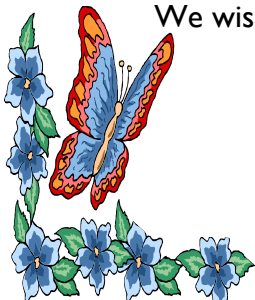
Coralie Dirlam
Bookkeeper
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MEMORIALS

We wish to thank the following who have made contributions to our church in memory of:

Lou Horn:

Bill & Mavis Anderson Bob & Peg Julian Bob & Nancy Schlundt Linda Smith
Audrey Varland Linda Thoman Don & Diana Day Ruth Guynn



ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are cordially invited to a

TEA PARTY

April 23, 2016 at 1:00 pm

Christ Lutheran Church
4250 Page Avenue, Michigan Center, MI 49254

Cost \$15.00 per ticket

Tickets must be purchased in advance by April 18, 2016. They are available by contacting Cathy Filter (517) 812-5256 or the church office (517) 764-3101. Hours: Monday to Thursday 9 to 1.

Special Guest: Rachel O'Neill,
founder of Little Dresses for Africa.

An illustration of a stack of three teacups and a teapot. The top cup is light blue with white stripes. The middle cup is grey with white polka dots. The bottom cup is purple with white scalloped edges. The teapot is purple with a white handle and a purple teabag tag hanging from it. Steam is rising from the top cup.

FOOD PANTRY INFO

Christ Lutheran is responsible to supply at least 15 volunteers for the third Saturday of each month at Immanuel Lutheran's Food Pantry. Thanks to everyone who has taken time out of their day to help others who are in need. Look to the bulletin board for each months sign up.

March 19th

is our next day to man the pantry! Hope you are able to help. There is a white container in the Community Center for any donations you would like to make.



Serving in Love

MARCH 2016

	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27 Easter	April 3
Greeter 9:45	Dawn Davis	Terry & Linda Wineland	Mark & Ann Lee	The Crouch Family	Richard & Jean Mikkelsen
Acolyte 9:45	Cameron Pickett	Ryan Olson	Jordan Wineland	Samantha O'Dowd	Jaymason Filter
Assisting Ministers 9:45	Ally Crouch Josh Wollet	Dan Burmeister Mary Wilkie	Coralie Dirlam Judy Miller	Don Day Diana Day	Audrey Varland Mimi Elliott
Kids For Christ Leaders	Linda Wineland Katie Merkel	Linda Wineland Katie Merkel	Linda Wineland Katie Merkel	Linda Wineland Katie Merkel	Linda Wineland Katie Merkel
Ushers 9:45	Joe Mount Bob Schlundt Dan Burmeister Rodney Simons Team #6	Jim Woody Carol Woody Chris McDermott Dawn Davis Team #7	David Dirlam Coralie Dirlam Rick Wyllis Team #8	Steve Oerther Lynette Oerther Phil Elliott Mimi Elliott Team #9	Mike Crouch Jennifer Crouch Frank Lovejoy Judy Lovejoy Team #1
Counting Teams	Don Day Terry Wineland	Dan Burmeister Dawn Burmeister Joe Mount	Bob Schlundt Bill Anderson Soren Anderson	Frank Lovejoy Judy Lovejoy Phil Elliott	Doug Prather Chris McDermott Chris Chmielewski
Altar Guild	Mary Wilkie Dawn Davis	Mary Wilkie Dawn Davis	Mary Wilkie Dawn Davis	Mary Wilkie Dawn Davis	Jane Schultz Rodney Simons

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U Made Some People Very Happy!

May God richly bless you for participating in any way to the gifts for the Food Pantry again this year. Whether it was by your prayers, or looming, crocheting, knitting, or donating an item, I give you a BIG thank you for your kindness and generosity. To Rick and Lynette Wyllis who helped in my moment of crisis by picking up and delivering the gifts to the church, and to our Youth Group and Parents who manned the stations for giveaway, I say many, many heartfelt thanks. God has his hand within our church, and we are grateful for our ability to bless others in his holy name.

Linda Smith

*this was inadvertently left out of last months "Chimes"



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	6 9:45a Worship	7 1:00p Wm's Bible Study	8 5:00p Comm. Dinner 6:00p Photo Ele. 6:30p Wm's Bible Study	9 10:00a Drumming 6:00p Lenten Supper 7:00p Lenten Service	10 11:00a Loomers	11 10:00a Weight Watchers 7:00p Cub Scouts
13 9:45a Worship 11:30a Church Council 3:30p Conf. @ St. James	14 1:00p Wm's Bible Study	15 6:30p Wm's Bible Study	16 10:00a Drumming 11:00a Care Team 12:45p Greenleaf 6:00p Lenten Supper 7:00p Lenten Service	17 St. Patrick's Day 11:00a Loomers	18 10:00a Weight Watchers 7:00p Cub Scouts	19 8:45a CLC @ Immanuel's Pantry
20 Palm Sunday Chimes Deadline 9:45a Worship 3:30p Conf. @ St. James	21 1:00p Wm's Bible Study	22 6:30p Wm's Bible Study	23 10:00a Drumming	24 Maundy Thursday 11:00a Loomers 7:00p Worship Service	25 Good Friday 10:00a Weight Watchers 7:00p Cub Scouts 7:00p Worship Service	26
27 Easter Noisy Offering 9:45a Worship	28 1:00p Wm's Bible Study 6:00p LDFA Workshop	29 6:30p Wm's Bible Study	30 10:00a Drumming	31 11:00a Loomers	Notes:	

CELEBRATIONS



Happy Birthday to:



Happy Anniversary



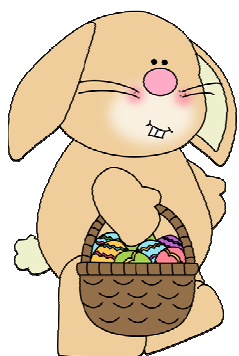
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| 4th | Joshua Wineland | 22nd | Nancy Schlundt |
| 5th | Alexander Adams | 22nd | Mike Pierce |
| 6th | Chris Chmielewski | 22nd | Zeth Soltis |
| 7th | Reggie O'Dell | 24th | Lois Schultz |
| 8th | Justin McDermott | 24th | Thomas Calkins |
| 8th | Todd Binschus | 24th | Megan Green |
| 9th | Brian Olson | 26th | Shirley Rose |
| 14th | James Karnaz | 26th | Judy Wollet |
| 14th | Josh Watson | | |
| 16th | Conner Kozlowski | | |

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KIDS CORNER



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| Ash Wednesday | Holy Thursday | Forty Days |
| Sacrifice | Good Friday | Jesus |
| Almsgiving | Holy Saturday | Passover |
| Prayer | Easter | Foot Washing |
| Fasting | Palm Sunday | Resurrection |
| Lent | Purple | |
| Holy Week | Palm Branch | |



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:45 am—Sunday Worship Service
9:45 am—Kids for Christ (Sunday School)
9:00 am—Youth Education

Holy Communion Celebrated each Sunday

Pastor Erick Johnson, Interim Pastor