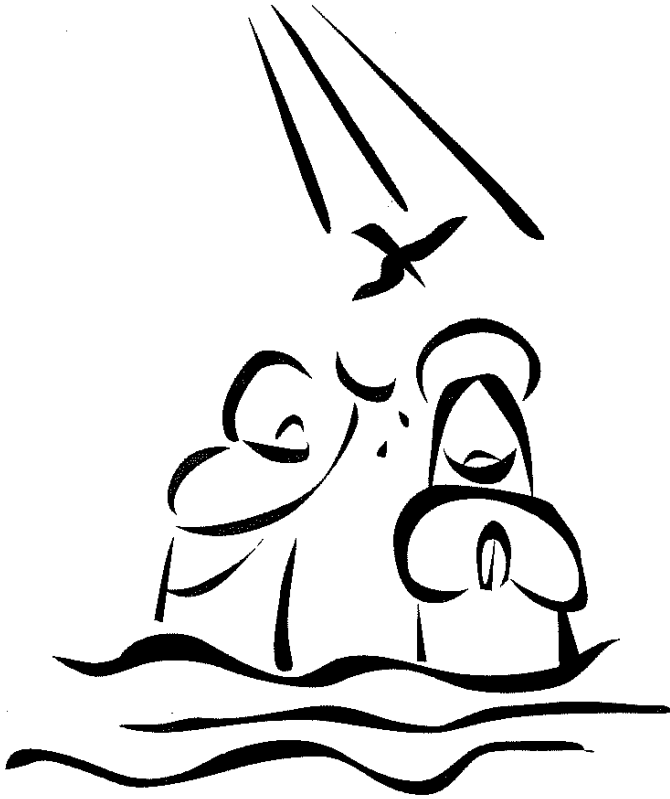


January 12, 2025

Baptism of Our Lord



Christ's Lutheran Church

700 East Pennsylvania Avenue
Oreland, Pennsylvania

*Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church
connects individuals to God, each other, and the community.*

Welcome to Worship at Christ's Lutheran Church!

Today's festival rejoices in God's blessings. We recall and celebrate our adoption as God's children, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promised company of almighty God when we "pass through the waters . . . the rivers . . . fire." On this day the heavens open again for this assembly, and we receive the gift of God's Beloved, Jesus, in bread and wine.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
our creator,
our protector,
our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act

with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

**Show us your lovingkindness.
Restore our hearts and repair your world,
that we may live in Christ's ways.
Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance:
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name. You are mine."
In † Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free.
Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.
Amen.

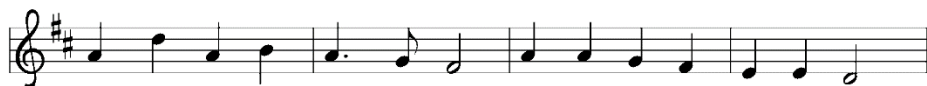
Gathering Song

**Songs of Thankfulness and Praise
ELW # 310**

Please see the next page for the hymn.



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph - et, priest, and king su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak - ened bod - y, faint - ing soul;
4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God - head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill:
that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.
Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

Shall We Gather at the River

Verse 1

ELW # 423



- 1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

A reading from Isaiah, chapter 43.

- ¹ But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
- ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
- ³ For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
- ⁴ Because you are precious in my sight,
and honored, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
- ⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
- ⁶ I will say to the north, "Give them up,"
and to the south, "Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
- ⁷ everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation will sing the following response:

Refrain

Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory
thunders;
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

Response

- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.
- 8 The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

Response

- 9 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips
the ^l forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.
- 11 O LORD, give strength to your people;
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

Response

A reading from Acts, chapter 8.

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵ The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶ (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

**Gospel Acclamation
Verse 1**

**Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory
ELW # 561**



1 Joy - ous light of heav'n-ly glo - ry, lov-ing glow of God's own
face, you who sing cre - a - tion's sto - ry, shine on
ev - `ry land and race. Now as eve - ning falls a -
round us, we shall raise our songs to you. God of day - break,
God of shad - ows, come and light our hearts a - new.

Text: Greek hymn, 3rd cent., para. Marty Haugen, b. 1950
Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen
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The Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

The Children's Message

Pastor Axel Kaegler

A Moment of Prayer

Holy, Holy, Holy
ELW # 473



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra-zón te_a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra-zón te sa - be de-cir: San - to_e-res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Argentine traditional

Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional

Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymn of the Day

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

ELW # 304



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you
 2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant
 3 Straight-way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as
 true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's
 call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to
 signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.
 ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.
 give your life for all, to give your life for all.
 per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

Text: F. Bland Tucker, 1895–1984, alt.
 Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561
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Please be seated.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors: We present Ravi Rana for baptism.

Ravi, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

I do.

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Ravi in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Ravi and pray for him in his new life in Christ? **We do.**

Please stand.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Please be seated.

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Baptism

Ravi Rana, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

**You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.**

Alleluia.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Ravi with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Ravi, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Baptismal Hymn

Baptized in Water

Verse 1

ELW # 456



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Seward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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Please kneel or sit as you are able for the prayers.

Prayers of Intercession

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You call us by name and form us. We give thanks for the gift of baptism. Nurture the baptized and equip people sent to proclaim the good news, especially Young Adults in Global Mission and international congregations. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your voice sounds over the waters. Speak words of healing over the rivers and lakes, seas and oceans. Heeding your voice, lead us to care for water, and the land and creatures it nourishes. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

You give strength to your people. Uphold all who serve the common good. Guide federal and state legislators, city and county officials, judges and juries. Strengthen our resolve to serve all in need. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

You are with us in challenging times. Draw near to all who are ill, undergoing treatment, or recovering from surgery. Accompany individuals and families affected by addiction or mental health challenges. Uphold each person as your beloved. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You draw us into community. Embolden ministries of racial reconciliation, nurture work on behalf of immigrants and refugees, and equip each to use their gifts for the sake of neighbors near and far. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You grant us peace. Comfort all who grieve. Dwell with us in this life and, at the last, join us with the saints whom you have created, formed, and named. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.
Amen.

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

*You are invited to share God's peace with those around you
and to greet those who are worshipping online.*

Please be seated.

Special Music

“Shine on Us” Smith/Smith, arr. Harlan

*“Lord, let Your light, light of Your face, shine on us.
that we may be saved, that we may have life,
to find our way in the darkest night,
let Your light shine on us.”*

Please stand.

Offertory Hymn
Verses 1 and 2

We Give Thee but Thine Own
ELW # 686



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,
now and always.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Blessing

The Spirit of the triune God
✠ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love.
Amen.

The Sending Song

**Go, My Children, with My Blessing
ELW # 543**

Please see the next page for the hymn.



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.
 Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in hope.

Thanks be to God.

Online Giving

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Your Prayers Are Invited

We hope you will add the following people to your personal prayers. Those who are listed longer than 6 weeks can be found on the long term prayer list through the link in the weekly e-news or the monthly Link newsletters. To add a name to the prayer list or provide an update, please contact the office.

Margaret Anne "Anne" Abbott (mother of Elisa Tull's friend)
Don Berger
Beverly Bortz
Bob Bortz
Chuck Brucker (cousin of Karen Greilich, Lori Stevens, and Janine Asher)
Nikki Busch (Becca Shelor's aunt)
Chippy the Clown (long-time friend at CLC events)
Holly Curran (friend of Bob Kelly)
Rev. John Dougherty (Pastor, Trinity Lutheran - Ft. Washington)
Clyde Engle
Paul Engstrom
Jamie and Keith Eyre (friends of Karen Bennion)
Gil Gavish & Family (son-in-law of Elise & Steve Seyfried)
Beryl Gutekunst
Paul & Rose Hill (friends of Shirley & Clyde Engle)
Abbey Koenig (sister of Jerry and Sally Beil's neighbor)
Paul Korinth (friend of Bob Kelly)
Judy Leister (Don Hallman's sister)
Melody Maurer
Jody McClellan (Bob Bortz' cousin)
The Monachino Family (John Melnick's sister's family)
Chris Mudge
Jim Munz
Scott Paris and son, Benjamin Scott (friends of Mary Truppay)
James Polis (brother of Jerry Polis and Diane Polis)
Margie Reiman (Robin Griffin's aunt)
Nancy Renner
Rachael Rinders (friend of the Kaegler Family)
Betsy Selinger
Ruth Smith
Marvin and Kara Strossenreuther (family members of Karen Bennion)
Paul Winter (Debbie Melnick's brother)
Nik Zitomer (Diane Polis' nephew)

We welcome Ravi Rana into the CLC faith community through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Please join us for the Annual Meeting immediately following the 10:30 am service on Sunday, January 26.

*The flowers on the altar today are dedicated
By Sally Werntz for the Glory of God!*

Stewardship: Bread of Life

In John 6:35, Jesus declares, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

This year as we reflected on how Bread sustains life; we ask that you also consider how your contributions to Christ's Lutheran sustain our Church, the ministries that feed and enrich our life together and the community around us.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their intent cards. If you have not done so yet, we ask that you return your intent card as soon as possible to help Council prepare the next congregational budget.

2025 Intent Cards can be found in the church lobby and through a link in the Wednesday e-news.

Family Table

Family Table will meet on the following Sundays in January at 9:15 am in Parish Hall: January 12, January 19, January 26

Confirmation Class will meet Sunday, January 12 from noon to 2 pm.

Family Table is open to families of all ages and make-ups. Come learn about God, our faith and how we walk in the world as People of God.

Men's Group

The Men's Group meets for breakfast and fellowship on the third Saturday of the month at Halligan's Pub in Flourtown at 8:00 am.

Mens breakfast group will be meeting this coming Saturday morning, **January 18**, 8:00 AM at Halligans Pub in Flourtown.

Inspired by Chris Johnson's recent meditation on Living Generously I'd like us to talk about how we can do this in our everyday lives. Please let me know if you plan to attend. jprasmussen9@gmail.com

Wonderful Wednesday

Join us for Wonderful Wednesday on **January 22** at 6:30 pm at the home of Jon and Alice Rasmussen, 1947 Audubon Drive, Dresher, 19025

RSVP to Consy Finney cwfinney1@comcast.net or 215-771-5994 by Sunday, January 19.

Pub Theology

Our next gathering will take place on **Thursday, January 30** at 7:00 pm at Iron Hill Brewery, 1460 Bethlehem Pike, North Wales, PA 19454

RSVP to Pastor Kaegler at clcseniorpastor@christsoreland.org.

Trivia Team

The turnout for Trivia Night was so awesome that the team had to break up into two groups, thus our 'Saints & Sinners' became the 'Saints' and 'Sinners' for January's challenge!

It was one tough night of questions, however, with the 'Saints' and 'Sinners' coming in 8th and 6th place, respectively.

The team is looking forward to the next challenge on, **Wednesday, February 5** at Tannery Run Brew Works, 131 E Butler Avenue, Ambler.

Trivia Nights take place on the First Wednesday of every month from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Interested in joining the team? Come for fun, fellowship and perhaps a prize or two!

Contact Daniel Melnick to RSVP. djmelnick328@verizon.net.

Wednesday Bible Study

All are welcome to join us for Bible Study on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am** in room 200 with Pastor Kaegler. Please join us as we explore the Book of Revelation.

Puzzle Exchange

Research shows that puzzles help adults improve memory, enhance problem-solving skills, manage stress, improve visual and spatial reasoning, and develop a more positive mood. If you want to see if the research is correct – or if you just want an indoor activity for cold weather – feel free to borrow a puzzle from the shelf opposite the restrooms in the narthex. Enjoy!

FAITH IN ACTION

University Lutheran Feast Incarnate

The leaders of the Feast Incarnate, a year-round outreach and hospitality ministry for individuals who are food insecure, asked if Christ's Lutheran could sponsor a few dinners in 2025. Please let Sue Ross and/or Allison Uehling know if you would be interested in helping with future dinners.

Book Collection

Books Through Bars is a local organization that collects books and sends them to prisoners who request them by letter. Although they get plenty of the latest bestsellers and classic literature, they have a great need for *very specific* books that are often requested but are in short supply. If you have any **paperback** books on the following topics to donate, please put them in the labeled box in the narthex. Thank you!

Art, art instruction (drawing/painting/photography), home repair, building, HVAC instruction, plumbing, masonry, starting a business, real estate, cars, motorcycles, sudoku, crossword puzzles, and how to play the guitar (beginning and advanced). Wildlife, hunting, and sports magazines are also appreciated.

CLC Community Yarners

Following is the Yarners schedule for Winter/Spring 2025:

Mondays: January 13, 27; February 10, 24; March 10, 24; April 7, 21

Where: 700 E Pennsylvania Ave, Oreland (Room 200) 11 am to 1:00 pm

Don't know how to knit or crochet? No worries, all levels are welcomed! All items will be donated to a local charity. (TBD)

Please contact:

Betty Messer: betty.messer508@gmail.com, phone: 267-475-2933 & Marty Frantz: marty.frantz@gmail.com, phone: 215-885-4812

FAITH IN ACTION

PBJ Sandwich Donations

PBJ sandwiches can be dropped off at the following times:

Sunday mornings - Drop off your sandwiches in the narthex fridge when you come to Sunday morning services.

Mondays - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Coolers will be outside the chapel.

Tuesdays - 9:00 am to 10:45 am Coolers will be outside the chapel.

Please make PBJ sandwiches with plain white bread, creamy peanut butter, and grape jelly. Wrap sandwiches in individual sandwich baggies and leave them uncut. Mark your bag with the number of sandwiches enclosed.

Thank you to our volunteers who pick up and deliver the sandwiches! If you'd like to help with delivery, please contact the church office.

**Thanks to your support CLC donated 89 PBJ sandwiches
this past week!**

Thanks also to Betty Messer for helping out this week!

Visitation Ministry

Our newly formed Visitation Team keeps homebound and hospitalized parishioners linked into the life of the Church through prayers, presence, and the sending of Holy Communion.

If you have a heart for our congregation, want to listen to and treasure the lives of our church's elders, and know that Jesus goes to everybody - contact Pastor Kaegler to join in this ministry! clcseniorepastor@christsoreland.org. Training, prayer and fellowship will be provided.

Willow Grove Food Pantry Collection

A box is located in the back of the Narthex by the "Giving Place" for donations of nonperishable items.

Once a month, or more if needed, we will drop off any donations to the pantry. Please consider bringing a nonperishable item to church with you each time you attend. Together we can help our brothers and sisters in need. Any questions please email Jen at community@christsoreland.org.

Home Visits

If you or someone you know would like Pastor Kaegler to visit, please contact him at clcseniorepastor@christos-oreland.org or call the office at 215-886-4612.

Wine Donations for Communion

Thank you to all the folks who have been donating bottles of wine! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

We are happy to accept additional donations at any time from anyone who would like to donate a bottle or two of their favorite wine to help keep us in supply. Any wine can be communion wine!

Christ's Lutheran Preschool

We are presently accepting registrations for our Preschool Programs. All programs meet from 9:00-12:00.

Please contact Sally Mead, director, for more information at 215.886.4612 x 6 or clcpreschool@christos-oreland.org.

Digital Sound Board

If you are interest in joining our sound board team, please contact Kathryn Steen (kathryn.steen@protonmail.com), Music Chair, or Rick Daniels (daniels.r@verizon.net).

CLC Evening Meditations

Booklets, printed with the prior month's meditations, may be found in a labeled container in the narthex. You are encouraged to pick up one or more copies to read at home and to share with family, friends and neighbors. If you'd like the Tuesday and Thursday meditations delivered to your inbox, please contact the church office. clcsecretary@christos-oreland.org.

If you'd like to join the team of CLC meditation writers, contact John Frantz at johnhfrantz123@gmail.com or call 215-885-4812.

Altar Flowers

Sign-up sheets are now available in the narthex to sponsor flowers for 2025. You may also contact the church office. One or both are available each Sunday at \$30 apiece. Thank you!

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Ministers	The People of Christ's Lutheran Church
Senior Pastor	Reverend Axel Kaegler
Director of Spiritual Formation	Becca Shelor
Director of Music	Ken Selinger
Administrative Assistant	Lorraine Pfeiffer
Preschool Director	Sally Mead
Sexton	Pete Carr
Assisting Minister	Adele Kelly
Soundboard	Diane Polis
Livestream	Rick Daniels, Don Hallman, John Melnick, Paul Zieger
Counter(s)	Tim and Deb Hilbert
Closer	TBD
Assisting Minister next week	Paul Zieger

This Week at CLC!

Sunday	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (202)
	9:15 am	Family Table (PH)
	10:30 am	Worship at CLC and online
	12:00 pm	Confirmation Class
Monday	9:30 am	Monday Morning Men
	10:00 am – 6:00 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel)
	11:00 am	CLC Community Yarners (200)
	7:30 am	Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
Tuesday	9:00 am – 10:45 am	PBJ Collection (chapel)
	6:00 pm	Lion/Tiger Cubs (203/204)
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting (200)
	7:00 pm	Bear Cubs (203/204)
	7:00 pm	Webelos/AOL (PH)
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study (200)
	7:00 pm	Wolf Cubs (203/204)
	7:00 pm	AA (PH)
Friday	8:00 pm	AA (PH)
Saturday	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast (Halligan's)

THE SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD - ELCA &
AFRICAN DESCENT LUTHERAN ASSOCIATION
PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER INVITE YOU TO

MLK DAY

SUNDAY
JANUARY 19, 2025
3:00 PM

Annual Memorial Service

Theme:
**We have been here before
Beloved, now what?**

Christ's Lutheran Church
700 E Pennsylvania Ave
Oreland, PA 19075

*An offering of items for hygiene kits or
complete hygiene kits will be received.*

HYGIENE KIT CONTENTS

- 1 - Toothbrush
- 1 - Toothpaste (any size)
- 3 - Moist Towelettes
- 1 - Bottle Shampoo (12oz or smaller)
- 1 - Bottle Conditioner (12oz or smaller)
- 1 - EZ Towel Tablet (or small washcloth)
- 3 - Sanitary Napkins
- 1 - Deodorant Stick
- 1 - Bar Soap
- 1 - Comb

Combine all in a drawstring or large ziplock bag



THE REV. DR. MONA FITCH-ELLIOTT,
AUTHOR OF "JOBETH"
NEW JERSEY SYNOD

Monday January 20th

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Parish Hill

Christ's Lutheran Church - Oreland

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY OF SERVICE



Make the holiday an especially meaningful one for you and your children! Join us for some afternoon snacks! Then you will be working with your children on a variety of fun service projects!

ADMISSION IS FREE!

WE ASK THAT YOU BRING AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- **Money for Lutheran World Relief**
- **Non-perishable grocery items for food bank (no glass and please check expiration dates)**
- **a dessert to share**

This event is designed for families - please plan to stay and experience this Day of Service with your children.

All ages welcome!

RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH

to director-spiritualform@christs-oreland.org

