

# April 27, 2025

## Quasimodogeniti Sunday



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### **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!

In spite of all we have heard and all we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the risen Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

### 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.*

#### Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of ✠ the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own,  
that restore to wholeness,  
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers  
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;  
waters that extend your boundless love  
and cross barriers of our own making.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.  
**Amen.**

# Gathering Song

# Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

ELW # 367



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds  
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,  
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;  
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has  
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has  
set heart and will on things a - bove that we  
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of  
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he  
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -  
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all  
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly  
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt.  
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623  
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## 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 Verses 1 and 2

## Christ is Alive ELW # 389



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, 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

**Acts 5:27-32**

A reading from Acts, chapter 5.

<sup>27</sup> When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup> saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” <sup>29</sup> But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup> The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup> God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup> And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 118:14-29

**ELW # 388 | Be Not Afraid**

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community

Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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<sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.  
<sup>15</sup> Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:  
“The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!  
<sup>16</sup> The right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!”  
<sup>17</sup> I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD.

**Response**

<sup>18</sup> The LORD indeed punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.  
<sup>19</sup> Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.  
<sup>20</sup> “This is the gate of the LORD;  
here the righteous may enter.”  
<sup>21</sup> I give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and you have become my salvation.

**Response**

<sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.  
<sup>23</sup> By the LORD has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.  
<sup>24</sup> This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.  
<sup>25</sup> Hosanna! O LORD, save us!  
We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!

**Response**

<sup>26</sup> Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD;  
we bless you from the house of the LORD.  
<sup>27</sup> The LORD is God and has given us light.  
Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.  
<sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will thank you;  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.  
<sup>29</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;  
God’s mercy endures forever.

**Response**

A reading from Revelation, chapter 1.

<sup>4</sup> John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup> Look! He is coming with the clouds;  
every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him;  
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

**ELW # 172**

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.



The holy gospel according to St. John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Karyn Wiseman

### A Moment of Prayer

### Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

ELW # 752



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943

Music: CHILDREN PRAYING, Ken Medema

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### The Message

Rev. Dr. Karyn Wiseman

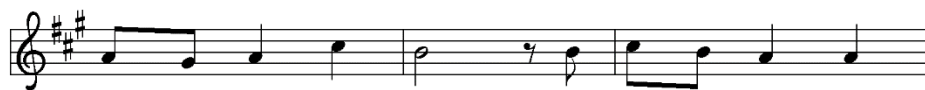
*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## Hymn of the Day

## ELW # 635 | We Walk by Faith



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
 4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are  
 5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise  
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter  
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
 you are near and seek where you are found:  
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.  
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.

Music: SHANTI, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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## Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,  
 the Father, the Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
 the only Son of God,  
 eternally begotten of the Father,  
 God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 of one Being with the Father;  
 through him all things were made.  
 For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Inspire the church with the breath of your Holy Spirit, that we sing the good news of the resurrection. Inspire deacons and pastors, lay leaders and bishops to boldly proclaim your love for all people. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Preserve the earth as a safe home for all creatures. Restore habitats contaminated by pollution or overuse, strengthen efforts to shape more sustainable communities, and make us mindful of the impacts of our daily lives on the well-being of creation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Kindle in the nations a spirit of cooperation and mutual care. Raise up creative and courageous leaders committed to shaping just solutions to complex challenges in our local and global communities. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Embrace all who carry wounds, that they might know your compassion. Draw near to those with chronic pain or anxiety, and all for whom death is near. Comfort individuals and communities suffering in any way. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Transform our fear into curiosity and love, especially across differences in race, religion, sexuality, gender identity, and economic situation. Unravel stereotypes that lead to discrimination, and destroy oppressive systems that marginalize vulnerable communities. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We remember the faithful departed from all times and places. Confident that you are the Alpha and Omega, we pray for your wisdom and guidance until our earthly pilgrimage is complete. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.  
**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 stand.*

## Offertory Hymn

## We Give Thee but Thine Own

### Verse 1

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.

Risen One,  
you call us to believe and bear fruit.  
May the gifts that we offer here  
be signs of your abiding love.  
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.  
**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 triune God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come,  
Sovereign, ✚ Savior, and Spirit,  
light your way with resurrection dawn,  
now and always.

**Amen.**

# The Sending Song

# The Day of Resurrection!

ELW # 361



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right  
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,  
4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.  
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,  
the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.  
all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,  
and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;  
Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.  
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!  
and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

## Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**



## 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.*

Dave Clothier (friend of Bob Kelly)

Shirley Engle

Kailee and Kameron (friends of the Uehlings)

Dorothy Ann King (Robin Griffin's mom)

Liam and Family (Karen Bennion's family)

Bob Paul (friend of Ross & Sue Frantz)

Davis Phelps (Marda Craig's brother)

Jerry Polis

Rachael Rinders (friend of the Kaegler Family)

Joanne Wendte (sister-in-law of Lynnmarie Harkins)

*The flowers on the altar today are dedicated by  
Diane Polis in memory of mom, Amelia  
and  
by Linda and Rick Daniels  
in memory of son, Christopher Trickel.*

### Online Giving

*To make an offering to support the work of Christ's Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, you may use this QR code to access our site for secure online giving.*



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## **University Lutheran Feast Incarnate Thank You!**

Many thanks to all who cooked an early Cinco de Mayo meal of chicken enchiladas, black beans, and brownies for University Lutheran Church's Feast Incarnate on April 15th. Thanks also to the volunteers who reported having a wonderful experience and said that there was enough food for seconds and to-go meals. Our next UniLu date is December 16th, so please add that your calendar if you'd like to participate. More information can be found in the "Faith in Action" section of today's bulletin.

## **Books Through Bars Special Request**

Books Through Bars is in need of Manga and comic book donations. If you are able to supply either of these reading materials, it would be greatly appreciated. More information about this program is available in the "Faith in Action" section of today's bulletin.

## **Family Table**

Family Table will meet next in Parish Hall on **April 27**. Family Table grown ups will be meeting at 9 am in the Chapel. Children can be taken to Parish Hall as usual.

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.

## **Trivia Team**

Our team faced some tough questions during the last challenge and held a steady 5<sup>th</sup> place until the last round where they finished in 7<sup>th</sup> place. They weren't quite able to put a list of famous paintings in the correct chronological order of their creation. However, they found that their knowledge of rivers and characters from The Simpsons helped them out during the April event.

Will the Saints & Sinners be challenged by a trivia team from St. John's in Blue Bell? Pastor Rachel is working on it!

The Saints & Sinners are looking forward to the next challenge on **Wednesday, May 7** 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](mailto:djmelnick328@verizon.net).

## **60 Plus**

The 60 Plus Adult group will be meeting on **Thursday May 8th** at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall.

This month our own Don Hallman will be taking us on a journey of interesting east coast lighthouses. Hear the history, the stories and view the beautiful photos of picturesque lighthouses including Romer Shoal, Oak Island and Mulholland Point, three less commonly known lights.

This is a BYOL month. So bring your lunch and enjoy it along with our delicious provided desserts over conversation with fellow members and friends.

## **Mother's Day Collection**

In honor of Mother's Day on Sunday, May 11th, we will be collecting diapers, baby wipes, and cereal for the Willow Grove Baptist Food Pantry **now through Sunday, May 11th**. WGB Food Pantry is especially in need of Size 4, 5 and 6 diapers. Together we can help make some mother's day better by giving them the gift of items for their babies and help fill their bellies with some cereal!

The Pantry is now consistently serving over 215 families a week so they could really use our help! Any questions, please contact Jen Melnick at [community@christs-oreland.org](mailto:community@christs-oreland.org). As always, thank you for all of your generous donations!

## **Men's Breakfast**

A wonderful Easter Breakfast was prepared and served by the Men's Group on Easter Sunday. Many thanks to all who contributed their time and talents putting this together. It takes a village to make this happen each year and our guests appreciated the tasty food that was served. Special thanks to Bonnie for the beautiful flower arrangements and Alice for preparing the fruit.

Next Men's Breakfast, the last one before we break for the summer, will be on **May 17th** at Halligans Pub in Flouertown. Hope to see you there.

## **Wonderful Wednesday**

May's Wonderful Wednesday will be on **May 21** at 6:30 pm at the home of John and Alice Rasmussen, 1947 Audubon Drive, Dresher. Please RSVP to Cwfinney1@comcast.net.

## **Pub Theology**

Our next gathering will take place on **Thursday, May 29** at 7:00 pm at Iron Hill Brewery, 1460 Bethlehem Pike, North Wales, PA 19454. RSVP to Pastor Kaegler at [clcseniorpastor@christs-oreland.org](mailto:clcseniorpastor@christs-oreland.org).

## **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 Micah.

## **FAITH IN ACTION**

### **University Lutheran Feast Incarnate**

We look forward to supporting the weekly hospitality ministry serving meals for approximately 120 people affected by HIV/AIDS and others in need of food in the local community. Volunteers cook and/or drive down to the church with us to help serve a meal.

If you would like to join the team of cooks or contribute in another way, please contact Sue Ross at [joyfulsross@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulsross@gmail.com) or Allison Uehling at [auehling@comcast.net](mailto:auehling@comcast.net).

### **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 continued support of this program,  
CLC donated 122 PBJ sandwiches this week!**

## **FAITH IN ACTION**

### **CLC Community Yarners**

Following is the Yarners schedule for Spring 2025:

Mondays: May 5, 19 Room 200 11:00 am – 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](mailto:betty.messer508@gmail.com), 267-475-2933  
or Marty Frantz: [marty.frantz@gmail.com](mailto:marty.frantz@gmail.com), 215-885-4812

### **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@christs-oreland.org](mailto:community@christs-oreland.org).

### **Community Garden**

The growing season starts Apr 14 and ends Oct 28. We have wood chips, mulch, compost, and gardening tools for your use. The irrigation system will be turned on by May 17.

Please contact Jerry Beil at [ghbeil2@gmail.com](mailto:ghbeil2@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **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. New requests for Manga and comic books!

## **FAITH IN ACTION**

### **Visitation Ministry**

Our 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 [clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org](mailto:clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org) to join this ministry! Training, prayer and fellowship will be provided.

### **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 in the narthex. Enjoy!

### **Home Visits**

If you or someone you know would like Pastor Kaegler to visit, please contact him at [clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org](mailto:clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org) or call the office at 215-886-4612.

### **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@christs-oreland.org](mailto:clcpreschool@christs-oreland.org).

### **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@christs-oreland.org](mailto:clcsecretary@christs-oreland.org).

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

### **Digital Sound Board**

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

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Ministers	The People of Christ's Lutheran Church
Senior Pastor	Reverend Axel Kaegler
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Director of Music	Ken Selinger
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Preschool Director	Sally Mead
Sexton	Pete Carr

Assisting Minister	Paul Zieger
Soundboard	Diane Polis
Livestream	Rick Daniels, Don Hallman, John Melnick, Paul Zieger
Counter(s)	Lori Stevens
Assisting Minister next Sunday	Jenna Balaicuis

Upcoming Altar Guild:  
May 4 Marlene Foody

**This Week at CLC!**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Family Table Parent Meeting (chapel)
	9:15 am	Family Table (PH)
	10:30 am	Worship at CLC and online
<b>Monday</b>	9:30 am	Monday Morning Men
	10:00 am – 6:00 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel)
	10:00 am	Family Stages (chapel)
	7:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am – 10:45 am	PBJ Collection (chapel)
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 am	Bible Study (200)
	7:00 pm	AA (PH)
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 pm	AA (200)



Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup> –  
Friday June 27<sup>th</sup>

9 am – 12 Noon

Vacation Bible School

at Christ's  
Lutheran Church

Oreland, PA

**REGISTER  
TODAY!**

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Participants:  
4–8 years old



Youth Volunteers:  
9–18 years old



Adult Volunteers:  
18 and up



Questions?  
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