



MISSION STATEMENT

**Called by God to
Worship, Learn and
Nurture; Sent to
Serve and Tell**

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

**Jesus is Lord and
Savior. We are called
to learn and share
the Good News.
Welcome and serve
all people. We are
servants of God to
others. Holy Spirit,
mighty in prayer
leads us to answer
God's call. Fellowship
sustains each other.**



Dear Friends,

We are close to concluding Lent. Lent is a time to prepare, and we've looked at how Jesus prepared His disciples (and us) for Easter. Why is it necessary to prepare for Easter at all? What would be different to us if we didn't observe these 40 of Lent in some way? Each year when we prepare for Good Friday and Easter Sunday, most of us would rather skip Good Friday. That day can become completely overwhelming unless we've done our "homework" throughout Lent. We come to a greater understanding the depth of love that God has for us.

On Easter morning we are not celebrating a memorial day of Jesus' death, because death could not hold Jesus. The Church throughout the ages used to be more explicit about Easter being an event that we participate in daily; we need to reclaim that. Resurrection is not something we observe or just believe; it's new life! This is why Jesus both explained and lived as the Kingdom of God. So that we could understand what the resurrected life is. As we get closer to Easter morning remember that the stone was rolled away not to let Jesus out of the tomb, but so we could look in and know that Jesus Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

CS Lewis wrote:

"There is no other day quite like Easter Sunday. It is a day of joy and hope, a day where death is conquered and new life begins. The resurrection of Jesus Christ is not just a historical event; it is a transformative reality that continues to shape and inspire believers today."

Peace,

Pastor Chris



As Pastor Chris and I were making plans for Holy Week, we discussed to wash or not to wash. Over the years, our various pastors have incorporated foot washing into our Maundy Thursday service with varying success. While having a pedicure is luxury for some, having an unknown person wash their feet would be the height of torture to another. And of course, I came across a devotion that spoke about this very subject.

Since Covid, most of us are much more attentive to washing our hands, especially after we've been working or shopping. We need to wash away the filth of the day. The same was true for the people living in the ancient world. Since they had to walk everywhere, their feet were naturally dirty. It was customary to have a basin of water ready to wash your own feet but according to the hospitality customs of the day, your guests didn't wash their own feet. The lowest of servants was delegated to this task – it was dirty, degrading work that needed to be done.

So now, put yourself in Peter's place. You watch in horror as this man that you have followed and loved for the past three years, kneels before you, towel in hand to wash your feet. How could *my* Lord and master humble himself in this lowly way? Jesus answers "Unless *I* wash you, you won't belong to me" (John 13:8). And like Peter, we cry "Then wash all of me!"

This cleansing is not ordinary, it doesn't leave any filth behind. The cross and the empty tomb wash us of every sin and shame, every blot and blemish. We are clean in Jesus, not just our hands and feet, but our heart and soul, past and present, future, and forever.

Set down your burdens and baggage. Sit in the presence of Jesus. Hear Him say to you "Your sins are forgiven" (Luke 7:48)

As we journey through Lent, we look forward to the joy of Easter, the celebration of Christ's resurrection and the promise of eternal life.

Shalom,

Deacon Kathy



Guy's Night Out

April 17th

Abby's Pizza

4808 Tieton Drive

Ladies Lunch Out

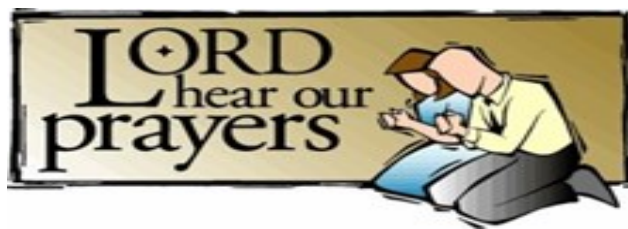
April 17th

11:45

Brunch Bliss & Bubbles

901 Summitview

In Our Hearts and Minds...



Continuing Prayer Concerns

(Please keep these people and their concerns in your prayers)

Floyd Butterfield	Karen Norfolk	Tim Shanks	Cameron & Cody Kupp
Sue Stewart	Betsey Bauguess	Douglas MacDonald	Collette Bower
Christine Thomas	Joan Jangard	Scott Bryson	Zelpa
Bob Robero	Mary Hatland	Marcella	David Lundy
The Bond Family	Andrea Bannister	Buzz Smith & family	Kim & Mike Peters
Bradley	Lane Hannas	Lori, Elliott, Eion Dando	Jai Matherly
Hayden	Chase Rogers	JD's sister Ruth	Carlotta

The friends and families of Javon, Deb Woodcock, Dave Linder, Bob, Steve Dando, and Les Richardson.

(The people listed here have been on our prayer list for the past two months. If your loved one is no longer on the list and needs our continued prayers, please let Deacon Kathy know.)

Serving Our Country

Taylor Bunker - US Navy
David Carlson
Luke Harper
Chris Wendt - National Guard
Justin Hughes – US Army
Hannah & Nick Brown—USAF
Ian Dunbar—USMC



There are many opportunities to assist with worship service during April. We have extra services during Holy Week that need readers and greeters. Please check the sign-up sheet to see where you can help.

Altar Guild: Kathy Sebree

Counters: Lori Murphy & Janet Frank

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

APRIL CELEBRATIONS



Birthdays

14th Ben Lake
 24th Darold Larson
 25th Evelyn Roberts

Anniversaries

12TH Dan & Lori Murphy
 13th Lloyd & Beth Crabtree (Kuhr)



April Scripture Readings:

April 6th	Isaiah 43:16-21	Psalm 126	Philippians 3:1b-14	John 12:1-8
April 13th	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Psalm 31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 22:14-23:56
	<i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i>			<i>Luke 23:1-49</i>
April 17th	Exodus 12:1-14	Ps 116:1-2;12-19	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	John 13:1-17, 31-35
	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>			
April 18th	Isaiah 52:13-53:12	Psalm 22	Hebrews 10:16-25	John 18:1-19:42
	<i>Good Friday</i>		<i>Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9</i>	
April 19th			Romans 6:3-11	John 20:1-18
	<i>Easter Vigil</i>			
April 20th	Acts 10:34-43	Ps 118:1-2;14-24	1 Corinthians 15:19-26	Luke 24:1-12
	<i>Easter Day</i>	Isaiah 65:17-25	<i>Acts 10:34-43</i>	<i>John 20:1-18</i>
April 27th	Acts 5:27-32	Ps 118:14-29	Revelation 1:4-8	John 20:19-31
		<i>Psalm 150</i>		

Have you gotten your Spring Cleaning done yet??? It's time to spruce up our church inside and out so that it sparkles on Easter morning. Come on Saturday, April 12th, for 9:00 – 12:00, with your gardening gloves and tools, your scrub brushes and dust cloths. Let the Son shine in!



Holy Week and Easter Events



April 13th, **Palm Sunday**

Worship Service at 9:30

with the Procession of the Palms
and a reading of the Passion story from Luke

April 17th, **Maundy Thursday**

Worship Service at 6:00 p.m.

Tonight, we remember Christ's last meal with His disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed His disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another.



April 18th, **Good Friday**

Worship Service at 6:00 p.m.

We will be using The Office of Tenebrae (meaning darkness or shadow), a Holy Week devotion dating back to the 7th or 8th century A.D., characterized by Scripture readings and the successive extinguishing of candles as the service progress.



April 20th, **Easter Morning**

Easter Brunch from 8:30-9:15

Easter Worship Service at 9:30

Easter Egg Hunt beginning at 11:00



We want to reflect the beauty and the joy of Easter morning in our sanctuary. Please bring spring flowers to place around the altar.

Voices needed for an Easter Morning Choir! Join Nita on Tuesday night (April 1st at 7:00) after our Lenten worship to practice an anthem to sing for our Easter worship. Practices will also be held on Sunday mornings after church service.



From the trustees of the Opal Dingerson Memorial Foundation:

We are issuing an invitation to members of Christ Lutheran Church, their family members (child, grandchild, or great grandchild, and pastoral staff, their children, grandchildren or great grandchildren to apply for a scholarship to be awarded from the Opal Marie Dingerson Foundation Fund for the year 2025.

Applications for this scholarship are available in print form from Deacon Kathy in the church office or by email to her. These same applications are to be received in the church office by **May 15, 2025** to be considered for this year's award.

Thank you in advance for your interest in furthering the educational goals of our church families.



Cheryl Sauer, Charlotte Abercrombie, Jim Sebree, Sue Stewart, Nancy Rassmussen,
Trustees

Each year, our local YWCA serve women, men, children, and families who are impacted by intimate partner domestic violence through their free, trauma-informed, confidential programs and services. Unfortunately, families in crisis are often turned away due to the lack of bed space at their current facility. Over the last 5 years, they have turned away 2,000 + families seeking safety due to limited shelter capacity.

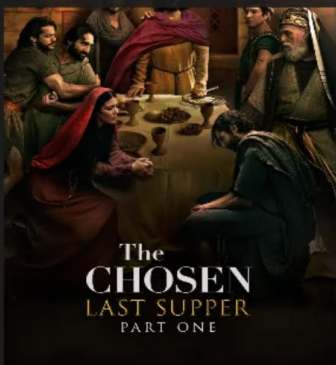
In 2022, the YWCA accepted the opportunity to expand into the original, now historic, St. Elizabeth Nursing School building. The building was graciously donated by Hogback Development. The new building will triple their emergency shelter capacity, promote healing and wellness, foster independence, safety and community.

When the YWCA moved into their facility at 818 W. Yakima Ave., Christ Lutheran had our own campaign to help furnish a room. The Social Ministry committee feels that our members can assist the YWCA again with our Lenten offering. During the weeks of Lent, we will be providing more information as to how this new facility will benefit those in our community who so desperately need help.



eliminating racism
empowering women
ywca

A few years ago, we spent our Wednesday evenings watching the first and second season of “The Chosen”. The Majestic Theatre in Union Gap will be showing the three episodes of “The Chosen, Last Supper”. Their website shows Part One opening on March 27th, Part Two on April 3rd and Part Three on April 10th. Would we like to go together to watch these episodes? Please contact Charlotte if you might be interested. Bargain Tuesdays only cost \$7.00! Also playing at the Yakima Cinema is “The Last Supper” with the executive producer being Chris Tomlin. Ask Terry Campbell for her reviews!



**The Chosen: Last Supper
Part 1 (Episodes 1 & 2)**

MAR 27 MAR 28 MAR 29
MAR 30 MAR 31 APR 1
APR 2 APR 12 APR 13
APR 19 APR 20



**The Chosen: Last Supper
Part 2 (Episodes 3-5)**

APR 3 APR 4 APR 5 APR 6
APR 7 APR 8 APR 9
APR 12 APR 13 APR 19
APR 20



**The Chosen: Last Supper
Part 3 (Episodes 6-8)**

APR 10 APR 11 APR 12
APR 13 APR 14 APR 15
APR 16 APR 17 APR 19
APR 20

PICK A DATE

Since the 2024 church retreat was a hit, Pastor Chris and Deacon Kathy would like to start planning the 2025 retreat. Camp Ghormley is holding two possible dates—October 3rd & 4th or October 24th & 25th. Please vote for the date that would work best for you. We want to make sure as many as possible can come. And remember, you don't have to spend the night in a cabin! **This is your last chance to vote!**



AARP Tax Preparation

Saturdays 9:00 a.m.—1:00 CLC Fellowship Hall

Questions? Contact Darold Larson 509-388-6620

Help Wanted: Suzanne Brown will be leaving us in the very near future. Suzanne is our financial secretary who receives and keeps records of all income from contributing members and other sources, providing a written financial report to the council monthly.

Charlotte Abercrombie has also announced her intentions to resign as our treasurer at the end of 2025. This is a very important position in our congregation. The treasurer disburses all funds on proper orders, making monthly remittance of benevolence to the NWIM Synod as appropriate, submits written disbursing reports and financial account summaries monthly to the council.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Suzanne, Charlotte, Jay, Pastor Chris, or Deacon Kathy.

**Help
Wanted!**



Many thanks!

Thank you for my surprise celebration of the 25th anniversary of my ordination last Sunday. I am honored and blessed serving as your pastor. From the first time I stepped into the sanctuary to preach in January 2022 I have felt at home here. I feel like I am

exactly where God wants me right now. Thank you also for the cool gift; I've already used it.

-The Reverend Christopher Peterson



Did you know that Christ Lutheran Church has a program that allows you to make your contribution to the church on line? We have two different programs available for your use. One is Tithe.ly and can be accessed through our current website www.christlutheranyakima.org. The second is called Vanco, once known as "Simply Giving". Vanco now offers a mobile app to make your giving even easier. Download mobile app : Vanco mobile faith engagement—Use Invitation code which takes you right to our church giving site: WLAQUK—Type in amount you are giving—Drop down menu for what fund you will be giving to- Date you want funds transferred—Payment method: choose credit card or bank and enter your information—Then a review will appear, accept, - they will email you a receipt. Charlotte has set up this mobile feature so that you can designate your gift as general offering or to a special fund raising event.

Please contact Charlotte if you would like more information regarding either of these options.



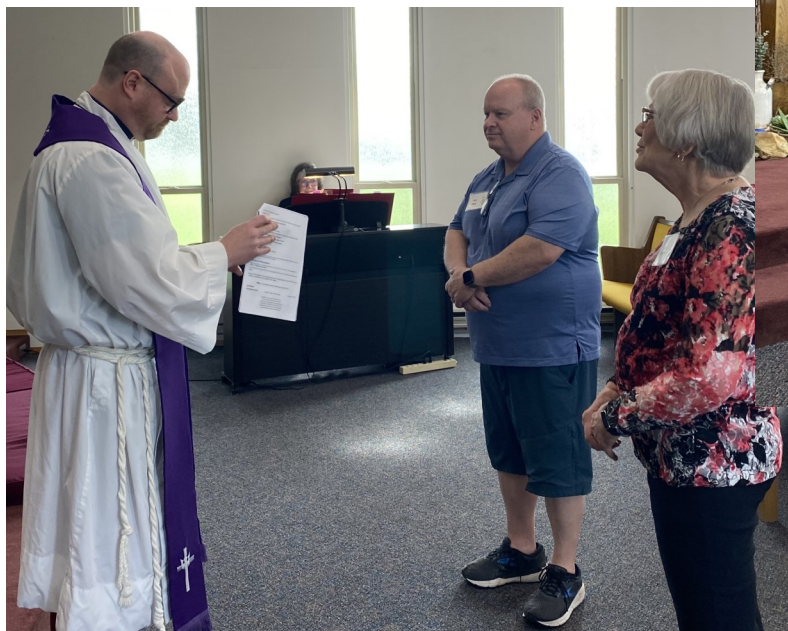


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MARCH 2, 2025



**WELCOME TO
THE FAMILY OF GOD
&
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**



TERRY CAMPBELL

&

JOHN OORD



CUB SCOUT
HUMANE SOCIETY
PROJECT



SHAMROCKS &
SHENANIGANS



FAMILY FUN
NIGHT



April 2025

March '25							May '25						
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Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
30		31		1	Soup & Bread 5:30 Lenten Services 6:30 Choir Practice 7:00 Scouts	2	Magical Mystery Tour Luke 18:31-43 Noon	3		4		5	AARP Tax Service 9:00
6	Worship Service 9:30 Faith, Fitness & Fellowship 2:00	7	Scouts	8	Soup & Bread 5:30 Lenten Services 6:30 Scouts	9	Magical Mystery Tour Luke's Passion Story Noon	10		11		12	Inside Outside Work Party 9:00 - 12:00 AARP Tax Service 9:00
13	PALM/PASSION SUNDAY Worship Service 9:30 Council Meeting 11:00	14	Book Study 11:00 Scouts	15	Worship & Music Mtg Noon Scouts	16		17	MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship Service 6:00 Ladies Lunch 11:45	18	GOOD FRIDAY Worship Service 6:00	19	EASTER VIGIL
20	EASTER SUNDAY Breakfast - 8:30 Worship Service 9:30 Egg Hunt 11:00	21	Scouts	22	Scouts	23	Magical Mystery Tour John 20:19-31 Noon	24		25		26	Yakima Valley Quilter Guild Sew Day 9:00 - 3:00
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