

Christus Victor Lutheran Church

FEBRUARY 2024



“To bring the Life, Love and Teachings of Jesus Christ to today’s world”



**Ash
Wednesday
Service**

February 14, 2024 7:00 pm

**First Lenten Soup Supper is Wednesday
February 21 @ 5:45 pm**

**Followed by first Lent service at 7:00 pm
“The People vs Judas Iscariot”**





Pastor's Page

Hello Christus Victor Family and friends...

We have barely finished Christmas and Epiphany and we are staring in the face of Lent. This year Easter is the earliest that it can ever be: March 31st. Needless to say, with having another church begin to worship in our facilities it feels like we have had little time to think about Lent. But never fear, We are ready.....

Ash Wednesday falls on Valentines day this year. We will have a service with the imposition of Ashes on February 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Lenten Soup Suppers and worship will begin with supper at 5:45 p.m. and Holden Evening prayer at 7:00 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: February 21st & 28th, March 6th, 13th, & 20th.

Maundy Thursday service will be on March 28th at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday service will be on March 29th at 7:00 p.m.

Christus Victor and Faith Lutheran will be doing the mid-week services together throughout this season. The midweek liturgy will be Holden Evening prayer and the time for a message will be something we used several years ago.

We will be using "THE PEOPLE VS. JUDUS ISCARIOT". For those who may not have been here or for our brothers and sisters from Faith, this is the penalty phase of Judas' trial for having betrayed Jesus. Each week you will see and hear from THE JUDGE, THE BALIFF, THE DEFENSE ATTORNEY (GRACE), & THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (JUSTICE). JUDAS will be present throughout the trial, but he says very little.

Each week one or two witnesses are questioned in order to convince the jury that Judas deserves death or that he deserves mercy. The prosecution will bring forth John the Disciple, Mary Magdalene, Unnamed Woman, Disciple Peter, the Young Boy, and Mary the mother of Jesus.

The Defense will bring forth a Friend of Judas, the Chief Priest, the Apostle Paul and finally, Death personified. In the end, you; all who have come to witness this trial, will be the one casting a ballot for the verdict. Both sides have very good points made and it is up to you what will happen next.

The last time we did this it made a big impact on the people who attended. It is a drama that makes you think very carefully about our understanding of Grace, Justice and Mercy. If you have never attended a mid-week Lenten service, this is one to try. Come and enjoy some of the best soup around and get to know one another and then stick around for the trial. I promise you won't be disappointed!

God Bless your day and your Lenten Journey!

Pastor Tammy

UPCOMING events



Women, Wine, and Wisdom will meet on **Saturday, February 24th** at 6:00 at Sara's house for a Dip and Sip Game Night. Bring a sweet or savory dip to share and your favorite thing to sip and play games with us. Please let Sara know if you plan to come. We can't wait to see you there!

Unwind at Lutherhill, **February 23rd – 25th**. A gathering for women of all ages to renew body and spirit. Gather the ladies in your life for a weekend away specially crafted to renew body and spirit. There's something for everyone! Care for your body with a lazy afternoon lying in a hammock or an exhilarating trip down the Zip Line. Care for your spirit with campfire devotions or soulful conversations with old friends and new. Care for your body and spirit with a relaxing massage. Join us at the Hill to Unwind. Cost is \$175. Please let Lisa Kutinac know if you are interested in going or you want more information- it is an awesome experience!



We are planning to host a bingo night and dinner in March as a fundraiser for camp. If you would like to help organize it and/or help with it, or if you know of a company who may donate a prize (gift card, item, service), please let please let Lisa know. We have a tentative plan to have it March 16th, but that date is not set in stone and is dependent on getting assistance.

Ready to hit the woods? Camp Firelight VBS invites children of all ages to participate in a summer camp adventure with God! VBS will be **Sunday, June 9th through Thursday, June 13th**. We need your help to make VBS a success! If you would like to volunteer, let Lisa know. We will begin collecting donations for VBS soon. Keep an eye out for more information!



We will have a VBS planning meeting Thursday February 15th at 6:30 pm.

UPCOMING events

We will be going to Lutherhill Week 2- **Sun, June 16th - Fri, June 21st**. Kids that have finished 1st grade through high school can go. Please register your campers and pay the deposit now. OUR GROUP CODE IS **CVLC**. If you have fundraising ideas, please let Lisa know. If you would like to sponsor one of the kids and/or donate to our camp fund, please let Pastor Tammy know.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Singing daily for at least ten minutes reduces stress, clears sinuses, improves posture and can even help you live longer.

And we are off to a great start for 2024 with the music ministry of this church! Choir rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 5:30 and Handbells meet at 6:15. We offer 45 minute rehearsals that specialize in spreading joy, laughter, and music knowledge that will have you home by supper time. In addition, if you doubt your ability to sing or ring, I try to be at the church an hour early to assist any musician to feel confident. I tease the choir that I am a "full service" music director! Come find out exactly what that means.

Again, thank you all for welcoming me back to Christus Victor! It is good to be home!

Much love 💜!

Trish





Christus Victor Children's School
February 2024

This month we will be doing fun art projects and lessons about love and Valentine's Day. We will also have our own "Mardi Gras" celebration on Friday February 9th.

Our classes will have their Valentine's celebrations on Valentine's Day

Our Bible verse this month is **"God is Love" 1 John 4:8**

love

February Anniversaries!

Frank & Doris Chambers 2/11
Karen Sebung & Bill Ferreira 2/14



Wednesday @ 11:00 am

Please review the Prayer List and make sure that anyone you added still needs to be on there, or of someone is missing.

February Birthdays!

Bonnie Short	2/02
Spencer Taylor	2/02
Tom Dougherty	2/04
Carrie Keesler	2/06
Tom Smith	2/08
Laurie Stockstill	2/14
Josh Sharp	2/17
Chloe Njeru	2/18
Travis Wright	2/19
Ruth Osborne	2/20
Ralph Zambrana	2/22
Lynn Crowl	2/23

Happy Birthday



Let's fill the Interfaith Caring Ministries (ICM) basket in the narthex each month!

February item(s) will be:

Tuna Drive
(Cans & Pouches)



The February songs for Praise Sunday (3rd Sunday of the month) are as follows:

Wonderful, Merciful Savior	CCLI 106879	Prelude
I Want Jesus to Walk With Me	ELW 325	Gathering
Out In The Wilderness	W&P 115	Hymn of the Day
Holy Water	CCLI 7136448	Offertory
Jesus Messiah	CCLI 5183443	Communion
Go My Children With My Blessing	ELW 543	Recessional

The “Main Street Messengers” have their own YouTube channel. We use that to record our rehearsals to upcoming service songs. You are welcome to take a listen to those, too, to familiarize yourself with upcoming songs. As a fair warning, these are only in the rehearsal stages and can be a bit rough.

Main St. Messenger’s

If you are interested in singing praise songs, please come to practice on Sunday after church

Everyone welcome!



FEBRUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 9:00 am Faith Lutheran 10:30 am Worship Service Praise Team Practice after church	5 <i>5:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:15 pm Bell Choir</i>	6	7	8	9	10
11 9:00 am Faith Lutheran 10:30 am Worship Service Praise Team Practice after church	12 <i>5:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:15 pm Bell Choir</i>	13	14 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service	15  6:30 pm VBS planning meeting	16	17
18 First Sunday of Lent Scout Sunday 9:00 am Faith Lutheran 10:30 am Worship Service Praise Team Practice after church	19 <i>5:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:15 pm Bell Choir</i>	20	21 5:45 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Service	22	23	24 6:00 pm Women, Wine & Wisdom Sips & Dips
25 9:00 am Faith Lutheran 10:30 am Worship Service With Baptism Praise Team Practice after church	26 <i>5:30 pm Chancel Choir 6:15 pm Bell Choir</i>	27	28 5:45 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Service	29		



CHRISTUS VICTOR'S PRAYER LIST - FAMILY AND FRIENDS.....*List is updated weekly*

Health Concerns

(removed after 30 days)

Trish Fowzer (11/23)
Ruby Hinton (01/24)

Personal Needs

(removed after 30 days)

Bereavement

(removed after 2 weeks)

Serving in our Military

Kyra Derr
Brandon Geiger
Blake Meyer

**Long Term Care/Medical
Treatments**

(remains until requested to be removed)

Raymond Aguilera (08/23)
Earl Armstrong (04/20)
Diana Bredeson
Ashlynn Coury-Moseley
Helen Danielson (8/23)
Letha Frederick
Elissa Gould-Schautd
Brad Loucas (02/22)
Scott Massey (09/23)
Merl Matthewman (04/22)
Daryoal Ondick (10/22)
Marvin Parker (11/2023)
Penny Plumlee (05/23)
Kathy Pulliam (03/21)
Patricia Meyer Schalla
Carol Schautd
Ken Schautd
Natasha Slawson (05/22)
Cathy Vaughn-Ortiz
Kathleen Womansong (10/21)

Due to HIPPA regulations and pastoral confidentiality issues, we do not give specific details of prayer concerns in the bulletin. Please pray, however, for those who ask for our prayers for God knows and understands their needs. We pray that God's will be done.

When a prayer request arrives marked confidential it is not placed on the prayer list. Pastor Tammy will pray for the request.

Please obtain permission from the person or the family before adding them to the list.

Christus Victor Lutheran Church....281-332-6847

Vision Statement: "To Bring Life, Love, and Teachings of Jesus Christ to Today's World"

Sunday Worship with Children's Church: 10:30 am

Church and School Contact Information :

Contact info for Pastor Tammy Sharp -Cell # 281-924-1667

Tammy's E-mail: pastortammy@comcast.net

Tammy's Office Hours: 9 am until 4pm Monday thru Thursday. [Friday...out of office.]

Church Office Hours: 9 am until 4 pm

Church Secretary, Sandie Price Office# 281-332-6847

Church Office E-mail - cvlctx@comcast.net

Website- www.christusvictor.us

Choir Director, Trish Fowzer

Worship Committee Chairperson,

Children's School Director, Tebertha Henderson...281-332-2821 E-mail...cvsdirector@comcast.net

Christus Victor Congregation Ministers

2023 Church Council Members:

Council President: Sara Smart

Council Vice President:

Council Secretary: Lisa Kutinac

Church Treasurer: Carol Vykukal

Property:

School Board President: Lisa Kutinac

Outreach:

Education:

Worship:

Parish Life:

Stewardship:

OFFERING REPORT

As of 01/31/2024

Offering Needed: \$ 16,891.00

Current Offerings Received: \$16,655.00

Shortfall: \$236.00

Building Fund Offerings ytd: \$410.00

**Building fund loan balance: \$ \$6,899.00
(as of January 11, 2024)**