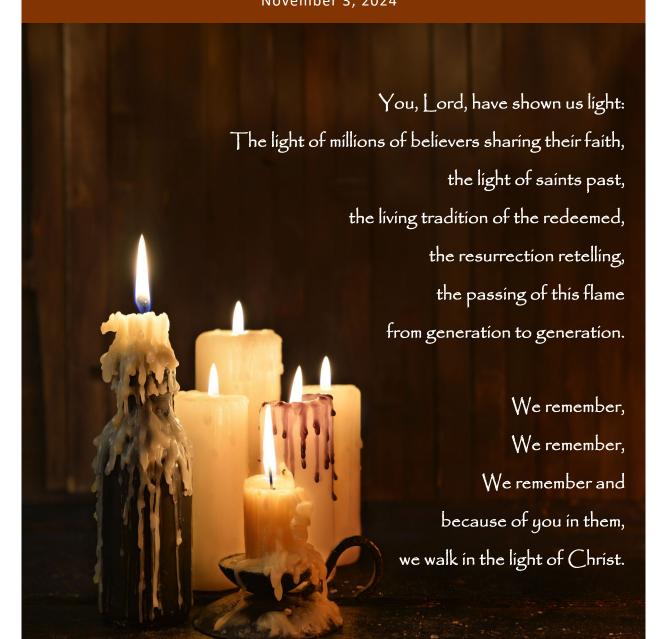
Christ Lutheran Church

All Saints' Sunday
November 3, 2024



WE ARE A COMMUNITY OF FAITH THAT WEI COMES

All are welcome at Christ Lutheran Church. We emphasize grace, forgiveness, and the reality that God is love. The teachings and example of Jesus call us to love one another and to be an inclusive and affirming community for people of every culture, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, relationship status, family makeup, and spiritual background. No matter what challenges you're facing – physical, mental, spiritual, economic, emotional, moral, or otherwise – we invite you to experience God's grace with us. There is a place for you here.

THE IN-PERSON CLC ESSENTIALS

Restrooms are in the Narthex and in the Education Building.

The **Nursery** is available from 9:15 a.m. through the end of the service.

Attendance Registration Cards are located in the pew racks. We ask everyone in attendance, visitors and members, to fill out a card and drop it in the offering plate as it is passed.

Audio Receivers for the hearing impaired are available in the Narthex.

THE VIRTUAL CLC ESSENTIALS

Please tune in each Sunday for livestream worship at 10:30 a.m. by clicking the YouTube button below.

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Preparing Ourselves for Worship

All Saints' Day is a time to rejoice in those who, through the ages, have faithfully served the Lord. We do not celebrate only those saints lauded and recognized by the church, but also all those ordinary saints who have forever changed our lives by their faith. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. It is a time to express our gratitude for those who formed faith in us, for those who served the church and built-up communities of faith, for those who held the faith even through the darkest of hours, and for those who witnessed to light, truth, justice, grace, and love throughout their lives. To rejoice with all the faithful of every generation expands our awareness of a great company of witnesses above and around us like a cloud (Hebrews 12:1). Reminded that God was with the faithful of the past, we are reassured that God is with us today, moving us and all creation toward God's end in time. In our prayers today, we remember those beloved by us who have died since our last All Saints' Sunday and give thanks for their lives. We find strength in their faith and in the faith of all the saints.

Helen Cosser

Edith Delaney

Stacy Earls

Victoria Esquivel

John Herman

David Hough

Wallie Jasso

Larry Kelly

Roberta Leichnitz

Edith Ortega

Brienne Paulsen

Mark Petersen

Elward Reiss

Michelle Specia

Pattie Aarlie Tilson

Judy Toman

Paul Trevino

GATHERING

PRELUDE

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WELCOME

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE GREAT CLOUD OF WITNESSES

We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses: patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets and psalmists, disciples and evangelists, martyrs and saints.

We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live, who followed, obeyed, and adored you our grateful praise we offer.

We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses: loved ones now resting in you, who guided us, nurtured and cared for us; ancestors who worked and traveled, lived and died . . .

that we might be who we are, where we are – your precious children in this community of believers. We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith.

We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses: family members and members of this congregation; fellow believers in every country, every denomination; friends who help, guide, and uplift us – children of your family, sheep of your fold, saints of your redeeming. For all your saints, O Lord, who counted you their great reward - accept our thankful cry. We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For this, your name we bless, and humbly pray anew, that we like them in holiness may live and die in you. Amen.

GATHERING SONG

For All the Saints

ELW #422 (v.1, 3-4, 6-7)

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation may be seated.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

Pew Bible/Old Testament page #652

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a

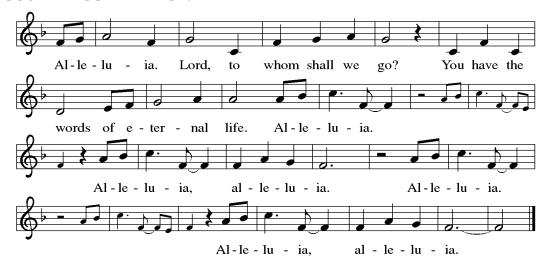
Pew Bible/New Testament page #259

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The holy gospel according to John, the eleventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

Pew Bible/New Testament page #105

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated.

SERMON Pastor Leslie Price

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah to Paul and Phoebe: **Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember the prophets and priests, the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God: **Teachers of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime: Family of our faith, we remember you.

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, and parents whose lives ended too soon: **Those close in our heart, we remember you.**

We lift up to you, O God, the names of those we have lost in this past year, knowing that they are with you forever. As we read their names, we will pause after each one to remember, pray, and give thanks for their life.

(Reading of the names of those who have died in the past year.)

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God, and give thanks for their faith in you.

Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you. We know you are with us in the spirit of worship, and you will not be forgotten.

O God, the generations rise and pass away before you. You are the strength of those who labor; you are the rest of the blessed dead. We rejoice in the company of your saints. We remember all who have lived in faith, all who have peacefully died, and especially those most dear to us who rest in you, whose names we remember before you now. (People may offer names of friends or relatives who have died.) Give us in time our portion with those who have trusted in you and have striven to do your holy will. To your name, with the church on earth and the church in heaven, we ascribe all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation may be seated.

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

Those who desire are invited forward to light a candle in gratitude for the life of a dearly departed friend or family member.

HYMN

Healer of our Every Ill

ELW #612

The congregation is invited to kneel as able.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for those in need, within our own community and throughout the world. We give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed upon us. Our petitions end with "Merciful God," and the congregation responds: "Receive our prayer."

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation may be seated.

MEAL

OFFERTORY

All Saints Alleluia – Curry Sanctuary Choir

OFFERING

Christ Lutheran designates 20% of your Sunday offerings to our henevolence partners who make a direct impact on the lives of people in our world who need it most. See page two for more information on giving virtually from your phone or go to <u>cleah.org</u>.

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

OFFERTORY HYMN

What Does the Lord Require of You





OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray together. God of all goodness, recognizing that we have been blessed beyond measure by the lives of the saints who kept their faith in you, we give back a portion of all we have received that it might be used to bring new saints into your kingdom. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We gather at this table, God's table.

The table has been set long before we were born.

There are places for all who have gone before us.

We take their hands as we approach to be received.

We are welcome at this table, Christ's table.

The faithful ones are gathered with us from all generations.

We lift up the memories of loved ones we no longer see.

We open our hearts to the presence of loved ones who are with God, for God is present with us.

This is the table of reconciliation, of forgiveness, of restoration.

This is the table for all the saints of God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

We remember you, Lord Jesus, as we stand in sacred community around this table with all your saints. We are overwhelmed by your goodness and your grace. Pour out your spirit upon us that we might be renewed by these gifts of forgiveness and love offered for all people, throughout all time. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

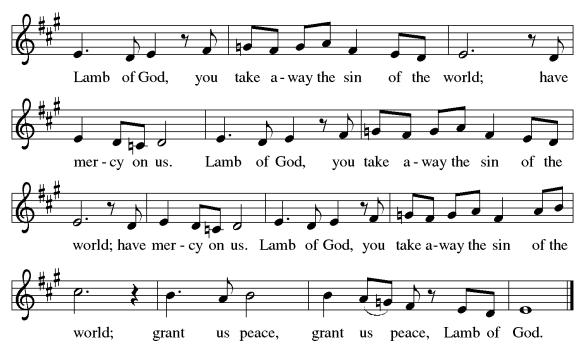
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



DISTRIBUTION

Two thousand years ago Jesus ate with sinners and those whom others scorned. He still does. None of us is worthy, except by God's grace. No matter what you have done or what your present condition, Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and who seek to live in peace with one another.

The gathered faithful have a choice to commune at the front of the sanctuary by intinction or in their seats with individual communion packets available at the entrance to the sanctuary. With intinction, the bread is placed in your hand for you to dip in the wine. Anyone who is unable to come forward may indicate to an usher that you wish to receive communion from a minister where you are seated. Gluten-free wafers are found on the small table next to the usher stand for anyone who needs them.

COMMUNION SPECIAL MUSIC

Panis Angelicus - Franck Kristen Burress, Soprano, Sharon Wiedemann, Flute, Scott Merkord, Alto Sax

> Andante from "Concerto Saint Marc" - Albinoni Scott Merkord, Alto Sax

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

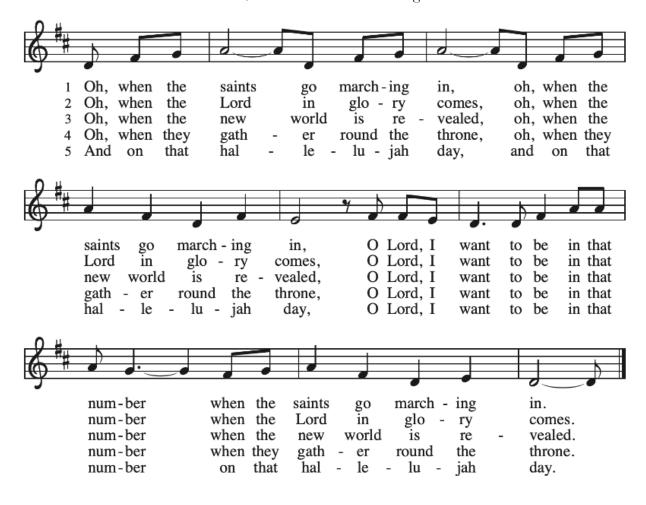
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together. Most Holy God, we thank you for refreshment at your table where, along with your saints, we receive all Christ's gifts. Provide for your church on earth a strong faith and increased love for one another. Give us the grace to praise you with our lives in the name of Jesus Christ our savior. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and \pm give you peace. **Amen.**



Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

When the Saints go Marching In – arr. Hammack

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Preaching Minister Presiding Minister

Assisting Ministers Lectors

Acolyte

8:30 a.m.

Pastor Leslie Price

Pastor Howard Stendahl

Robert Crotteau Celia Crotteau

10:30 a.m.

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Carrie Jowers Robb Decker

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THANK YOU

Our heartfelt thanks to our faithful volunteer, Mary Overstreet, for the beautiful banners which adorn our Sanctuary, and to John Malitz, who donates the time of his employees at Malitz Construction to regularly take down and put up these artistic installations which enhance our worship.

TODAY

- 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. services All Saints Sunday
- 9:30-10:15 a.m. All Ages Dia de los Muertos, North Fellowship Hall.

THIS WEEK

Monday, November 4

• 9:00 a.m. Money Counters, Parlor

6:30 p.m. Joseph's Sons, Longhorn Café at 1003 Rittiman Rd.

Tuesday, November 5

• 9:00 a.m. Quilters, Primrose House

• 9:00 a.m. Election Day Prayer Day, Sanctuary

• 6:45 p.m. CLC Book Club, Parlor

• 7:00 p.m. Read Through the Bible via zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2461346872 or 346-248-7799

Wednesday, November 6

12:00 p.m.
 5:30 p.m.
 Council Meeting via Zoom
 Gloria Choir, Sanctuary

• 5:30 p.m. Angelicus Choir, Children's Chapel

• 6:00 p.m. Spanish Intermediate Conversational Class, Parlor

Altar flowers are given in celebration of Stephanie Burkhardt's birthday.





All Saints Sunday

Today

During Both Worship Services

Annual tolling of the bells for members and friends who have died in the past year.

Contact the Church Office if you would like to submit a name for inclusion.



Remembering all lives of our loving friends and families who passed away.

IOSEPH'S SONS

Monday, November 4, 6:30 p.m., Longhorn Café at 1003 Rittiman Rd.

Calling all CLC Men! We will meet for a meal and fellowship. We will have a short Bible study. If you have questions or need directions, please call Joe Diana.

ELECTION DAY PRAYER DAY

Tuesday, November 5, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary

During this time around the election when there is a lot of political division and unrest, we can find solace, peace, and unity through prayer. The church will be open on Election Day for all those who would like to participate in a time of private prayer between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Feel free to sign up using the link below. Our hope is to have someone praying in the Sanctuary throughout the day. One or both pastors and our deacon will also be available throughout the day for pastoral care and support. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0445A5A628A6FA7-52379887-election

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR GROUP

Tuesday, November 5 & 19, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom (Every Other Tuesday)

This group regularly meets every other Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. The class is led by Pastor H. Anyone can join, even if you haven't read along with us yet or may be behind. Join in for good conversation and company. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2461346872.

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

Sunday, November 10, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

The Congregation Council, Property Team, and a newly formed Capital Advance Team invite you to gather for a congregation-wide conversation about our aging Education Wing and Fellowship Hall. A quick tour of these spaces (including the upstairs of the Education Wing) reveals the obvious – that these buildings are no longer simply dated but in need of significant repair . . . lighting, HVAC, electrical, windows, cosmetic, and other structural and modernization upgrades.

Both spaces have sustained significant water damage during severe rains, and the Fellowship Hall additionally suffers from a deteriorating foundation. While we have made repairs as needed, the buildings reflect their age. Years of vibrant ministry, education, celebrations, and memories in these spaces have taken their toll. The Council, Property Team, and Campaign Advance Team, as dedicated and faithful leaders of our church, have considered several potential pathways to address these facility issues. Before making any firm decisions on which pathway to take moving forward, they would very much like an opportunity to hear from each of you.

These leaders recognize that we are a strong and thriving congregation, approaching 100 years in ministry together! Their vision is to prepare us for another 100 years of ministry in this place. They know that each member and visitor at Christ Lutheran has a unique voice and perspective to share, and they invite each of you to contribute to our vision for Christ Lutheran's future.

We will present a brief overview of some of our options to address these property concerns. At this meeting, we will be grateful to hear your thoughts so that we may make wise, prudent decisions as we move forward, working together as a church family.

If you are interested in sharing your thoughts but are unable to be at the Forum on November 10, please reach out to a Campaign Advance Team Member, Property Team Member, or Council Member (all listed below) to share your perspective. If you need contact information for any of these individuals, please call the church office.

Congregation Council				
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Bryan Woods, Vice President				
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Edna Robbins				

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Campaign Advance Team

Pastor Leslie Price

Pastor Howard Stendahl

MFN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Tuesday, November 12, 7:00 a.m., Bill Miller BBQ, 410 and Nacogdoches All men of the church are invited to a short Bible study on the upcoming Sunday gospel. Breakfast tacos and fellowship at Bill Miller BBQ located at 410 and Nacogdoches Road.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: (6TH-8TH GRADE)

Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Upstairs Education Wing Confirmation Class will meet with Pastor Leslie. We will have pizza to make the evening easier to manage. We will finish up studying the 10 Commandments.

THE GATHERING: A GROUP FOR MOMS

Thursday, November 14, 9:30 a.m., Bird Bakery

This group for moms with children ages birth through college meets on the second Thursday of each month. The Gathering is a place where moms of children can chat about anything and everything. It's a group to give advice when asked, to listen, laugh and just take a little time to make and grow friendships. For more information, contact Joan Woods or Carrie Jowers.





FAITH UNIVERSITY

Sunday, November 17, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Pastor H invites members and guests for reflections on the topic, "The Politics of Jesus." As we approach a controversial election season, we will examine Biblical teachings from Jesus that were considered radical during his earthly ministry... that would likely receive the same response today. "Treat the people's needs as holy" and "expose the workings of oppression" sound like political statements as Jesus challenged the established order of his time. The writings of Obery Hendricks, John Howard Yoder, Warren Quanbeck and others inform Pastor H's presentations. All are welcome!

LUCY CIRCLE

Sunday, November 17, 9:30 a.m. CLC Parlor

This month, the Lucies will meet to discuss an inspirational article by Rabbi Sharon Brous titled, "*Train Yourself to Always Show Up.*" The idea is based on an obscure 2,000-year-old text advising people to show up when in pain and when broken-hearted, to entrust your pain to the community. You are invited and you are welcome. If you'd like a copy of the article, let Jan Norris know.

THIRD THURSDAY LUNCH BUNCH

Thursday, November 21, Noon, Fellowship Hall

Our seniors group, Lunch Bunch, will gather for Halloween fun, conversation, fellowship, and of course, a meal. Much thanks to Carolyn Dufelmeier for cooking and hosting this meal for us each month.



NEW MEMBER SUNDAY



November 17

Please join us as we welcome our new members.

Come meet and greet these new members of our church family during a reception in the CrossWay following the late worship service.

If you're interested in joining, please speak with Pastor Leslie.



ALL'S FAIR

Sunday November 24 CrossWay



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Sunday, December 1
11:30 a.m.

DECORATING, MERRY MAKING, TAMALES & CHILI



ADVENT RETREAT

Mustang Island Episcopal Retreat Center

December 6-8

What to look forward to . . .

- * A weekend to take time to pause with your loved ones surrounded by ocean beauty
- * Enjoy hot chocolate, Christmas crafts, and a Christmas movie
- * Tell stories and sing Christmas songs by the campfire
- * Good food, nice accommodations
- * Warm, welcoming, wonderful, and faithful members
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Schedule is subject to change based on weather.

Friday, December 6 Welcome and Reflection

- * 3:00 -7:00 p.m. Arrive & Check in
- * 7:30 p.m. Gather together at the Conference Center
- * 8:30 p.m. Story Time with Ms. Carrie

Saturday, December 7 A Day of Preparation & Connection

- * 8:30 a.m. Morning Devotion and Breakfast
- * 9:30 a.m. Head to Birding Center and a Nature Walk
- * 12:00: Lunch
- * 1:00 4:00 p.m. Crafts & a Lesson on what is Advent
- * 6:00 p.m. Dinner
- * 7:00 p.m. Hot Cocoa & a
- * Christmas movie

Sunday, December 8 Wrapping Up with Love

- * 8:30 a.m. Breakfast & Devotion
- * 9:30 a.m. Closing Worship Service
- * 10:30 a.m. Pack Up / Departure

Cost includes all three meals on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, housing, and craft supplies. Each room has its own private bathroom and many feature balconies with a view of the ocean. Registration forms are in the CrossWay or contact the church office.

Family of 1	\$305	Family of 4	\$660
Family of 2	\$410	Family of 5	\$785
Family of 3	\$530	Family of 6	\$910