Christ Lutheran Church & School

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West Covina, California
Church: 626-331-5309
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Where Tradition and Tomorrow Meet

WHAT HAS CHRIST DONE FOR YOU THAT YOU TRUST IN HIM? HE DIED FOR ME AND SHED HIS BLOOD FOR ME ON THE CROSS FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

MARTIN LUTHER~
LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM

Pastor's Message

"The Holy Spirit will make you one and give you the strength to do all things in my name"

On Sunday, June 5 we celebrate Pentecost Sunday.
I hope you plan to attend this festive day of worship and to reaffirm how the spirit is moving here at Christ Lutheran Church and School.
We saw the spirit present on baccalaureate Sunday as we rejoiced with our eighth graders at all they have accomplished and prayed for their future goals. Remember them on June 1 at their graduation.
We thank God for our Interim Principal Joan Annas and the incredible work of our teachers and staff.
Even in the midst of the Covid challenges we recently found out how the students scored above average on their academic SAT tests. This truly is a testimony to the commitment of our teachers to provide everything necessary for their students.
Likewise Jesus tells us the Holy Spirit will provide and teach us all that is needed.
Perhaps the biggest lesson is to teach us how to be united and recognize that we all are working towards the same goal and mission: to share the love of Christ. On Sunday, June 12 we will have a summit gathering, enjoy a delicious brunch and recognize and thank God for all of our congregational leaders, both of the Church and the School. It'll be a time to simply, be with each other like we haven't been able to do for the last two years, and share food and fellowship. It'll be hosted by Thrivent; not only good food but also T-shirts for all who attend.
We invite those who serve on a committee or a board or any kind of leadership position, as well as all those interested in participating in the leadership of the Church.
God has given us his spirit to guide us, sustain us, and inspire us to be the body of Christ to the world and demonstrate that love makes a difference.
Also in June we will recognize all our fathers and maybe get them a little wet in the baptismal waters! Fathers please join us on June 19!

I thank God for your partnership in Christ. It is an honor to serve you and our Lord together in one spirit!

Pastor Thom

Christ Lutheran School News

CHARGERS

Tax ID#: 95-2142101

May 6, 2022

5/9/22 - 6/13/22

Sunday, May 22
8th Grade Baccalaureate 9:30am

Mon-Fri, May 23-27
Book Fair

Thursday, May 26
Special Awards Assembly
Sanctuary 8:40am

Friday, May 27
Field Day (Kdg-8th)

Monday, May 30
Memorial Day
School Closed - No Daycare

Tue-Thu May 31– June 2
Minimum Days
Parent Conferences (K-8)
Daycare Available (Noon - 6pm)

Wednesday, June 1
8th Grade Graduation 7pm

Thursday, June 2
End of 4th Quarter
Last Day of School

Friday, June 3
PS Promotional Picnic

Mon-Fri, June 6-10
Vacation Bible School
No Daycare

Monday, June 13
Elem Summer Program Begins

Friday, June 23
PS Achievement Night

Bubbles, Bubbles Everywhere!!

We had a blast at our Fun Run Bubble Fest!!! All the students were able to run laps through all the blowing bubbles, get some good exercise and raise funds for the school. Thank you to all of parent volunteers and PTF for organizing such a fun and successful event!

Copies of the minutes from CLS School Board meetings are available upon request from the school office.

School News Continued..... Share it with your Friends!!

CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Summer Academic Programs for 2022

Our Year Round Preschool offers:

- Ages two years through Pre-Kindergarten
- 5 half or full day programs available
- Kindergarten Transition (Summer months only)
- Literacy and Language Development
- Mathematical Skills
- Staff trained in Early Childhood Education
- Emphasis on self-esteem and self respect
- Nutritious Snacks
- Potty Training for 2-3 year olds
- Hours: 6:30am to 6:00pm

ADVENTURES IN LEARNING

For Students Entering
1st - 8th Grade

Accredited by the Western Association

TWO SESSIONS

June 13 - July 8 and July 11 - August 5
(Closed Monday, July 4th)

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm

Our Elementary Program offers:

- **Morning Curriculum**
  - ◊ Reading - Writing
  - ◊ Math - Science
  - ◊ Pre-Algebra and Algebra (6th-8th Grade)
- **Afternoon Enrichment**
  - ◊ Fun with Art
  - ◊ Science/STEM
  - ◊ Sports Fundamentals

Limited Class Sizes - Daycare 7:00 - 8:15am & 3:15 - 6:00pm

Now accepting Credit Cards for Elementary

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Children are a gift from the Lord: THEY are a reward from Him. PSALMS 127:3

Fall Enrollment Now Open

Call our Admissions Office at ***626-967-7531 or*** download information at www.clswc.org

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On Friday, April 29th, we celebrated Mr. A's memory by dedicating the Science Lab and Daycare room in his honor. He was instrumental in remodeling the kitchen, designing the science lab, and he enjoyed that room for many years as the school's science teacher until he took over the job as Principal in 2010. We dedicated that wing of the school in loving memory of Mr. A., as well as displaying plaques of remembrance on two benches in the play yard. He will always be remembered!

COMING SOON
2022-23 School Year
NEW State of the Art TECHNOLOGY CENTER
Generously Donated by:
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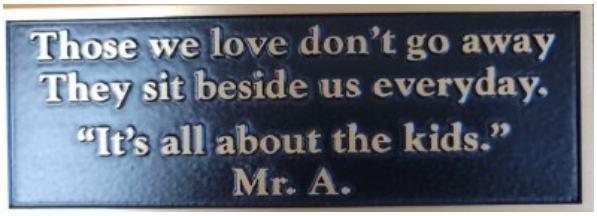


Hi Everyone

It 's almost summer and everyone loves summer – vacations, no school (unless you are going to summer school), maybe sleeping later, days at the beach, bar–b–ques, and the 4th of July and fireworks. What a wonderful time of year. And after 2 years of being afraid to travel, people are again looking forward to taking those long delayed trips.

But let 's not forget that the Church goes on, even during the summer. We still need to pay for electricity, water, gas, gardener and staff, just to name a few. Last year, Pastor Phillips challenged everyone to make the month of July a month of tithing, to increase your giving just for July to 10%. Some of you accepted his challenge and some even continued giving the increased amount. God truly does give us what we need. Maybe this year we can make it a "summer of tithing" and tithe for July and August.

We have so much to be thankful for this year. We were blessed that God sent Nightingale to us as our new pianist/organist. Pastor Thom has graciously agreed to continue as our Interim as we continue our search for a new Pastor. We are blessed to have an amazing Praise Band and our Music Director Christina. I 've only mentioned a few but there are so many more who work behind the scenes all the time. We wouldn 't be who we are without our volunteers. Thank you.

God 's blessings to all of you

Shirley

We Remembered and honored our heroes on Memorial Day and continue to remember and honor them

Coming Soon!

Graduate Recognition Sunday

ALL GRADUATES WILL BE HONORED

ON JUNE 12th

Christ Lutheran will observe Graduate Recognition Sunday on June 12th. At the 9:30 AM Service, we will honor our High School, College, University, and Grad School Graduates, as well as our Day School Eighth Grade Graduates. Let's all turn out to honor our young people and wish them God's blessings.

Happy Father's Day

June 19th

Fathers' Day, June 19th, will be just as special as Mothers' Day! After all, God knows we need both mothers and fathers, and God chose the term "Father" to help us know Him. So it is most appropriate that we celebrate that great day with worship. Give your Dad your best present – your love – and surround him at our 9:30am service on June 19th. Bring your Dad, or your memory of your Dad, to Church with you!

Spiritual Gifts Assessment

Have you ever asked yourself or God "What is My Purpose in this Life?" "What is God calling me to do Now?" "What work am I most suited for?" If so, you may find it helpful to click on and take the new "Spiritual Gifts Assessment" that has been created by the ELCA. This simple survey assists us with the task of identifying our ***unique spiritual gifts***. After you have completed the survey, you will receive a printed document highlighting your areas of spiritual giftedness! There is no cost to take this useful survey and there are no right or wrong survey responses.

The Spiritual Gifts Survey measures where we, individually, have our greatest spiritual gift passions and strengths. ***The 20 giftedness skill sets are: 1) Administration; 2) Artistry; 3) Discernment; 4) Evangelism; 5) Exhortation; 6) Faith; 7) Giving; 8) Hospitality; 9) Intercession; 10) Knowledge; 11) Leadership; 12) Mercy; 13) Music-Vocal; 14) Music-Instrumental; 15) Pastoral; 16) Service; 17) Skilled Craft; 18) Teaching; 19) Wisdom; and 20) Writing.***

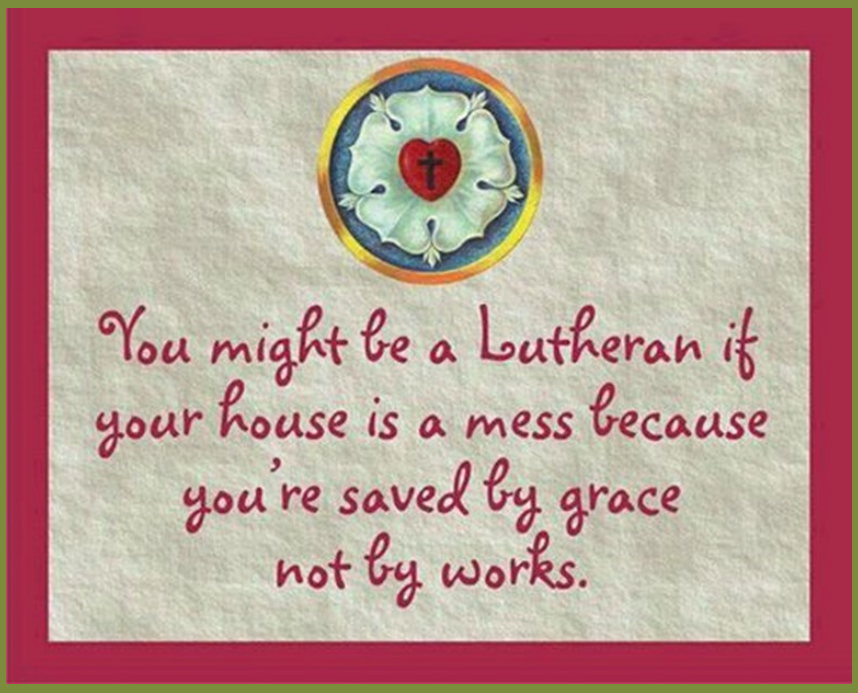
Finding your spiritual gifts is greatly helpful in discovering the answer to what God is calling on you to do "Now" and what God's work is most suited for you?

Click on the link below and take the survey. Everyone who takes the survey will be a winner! Christ Lutheran will be holding an entertaining and fun filled special event where we will get more information and inspiration about each of the 20 Spiritual Gifts and how we can apply our gifts within our community.

Click on: http://www.elca.org/en/Our-Work/Congregations-and-Synods/Faith-Practices/Spiritual-Renewal/Assessment-Tools?_ga=1.126328653.1574430885.1457025995

If you have any questions about this simple but significant activity and what it means to our congregation, please see me on the patio or give me a call. My phone number is (909) 568-6763.

Blessings!
Scott McGookin
Member, Christ Lutheran Church Council



COG of SWAG and another school year for the books....

The school year is over and what a year!! We were able to end this year with no masks, children back in sports, dances, graduations, and best of all we had Chapel with everyone in the sanctuary. It is crazy for me getting to learn the children all over again because now we are able to see their faces, and for the first time some of the children were able to meet their classmates and teachers for the first time too. It has been a few years of trying to find ways of being able to connect with the children so that they are able to see and understand that they are important, and a vital part of our church and the future of Christ Lutheran.

This year was a lot of firsts for S.W.A.G. and the COG of Christ Lutheran. We worked hard on being able to keep things together, understand changes, and some disappointments. The first disappointment was learning that we were not going to be able to go to the Youth Gathering, but like I am always trying to show the children that God has a plan. And well, we are still going to a gathering maybe not in Minneapolis, but it is still a gathering where children with in our synod will be able to spend a week together and make new friends and connections.

The COG of SWAG invited new faces and worked together to put on something that has never been done at Christ Lutheran; a Good Friday service. This was not your typical service; this was to introduce the Stations of the Cross, and the steps that Jesus took to his death. They reenacted Jesus ' death and what he went through for all of us. Sometimes we don 't always have a normal Bible day, but it has been weeks of the children getting to find themselves again, and how to interact with their friends, teachers, and catch up for all the time missed. That being said, we had some crazy nights where to be honest we just hung out together. Getting things cleaned up in the Youth Room to make room for a new Air Hockey table. "Thank you" to the Terry Family for donating the table to us. We are working on getting the room back to a place where we can hang out, have a place to have Bible, Confirmation, and a cool and safe place to be during the summer. Together they have taught me so much about remembering that when I share with them the message of being special, a COG, and having a place here goes for me as well. I listen to all of them talk, laugh, tell stories of their week, and most of all teach me how to be thankful. With all the different changes that our children have had to deal with, they always seem to amaze me by how they are ready to just go forward; not worry about how things were, but how things are now! Just being able to just be children.

This summer I want to continue to share with everyone the poise, determination, strength and love that they all have. Continue to grow with them, share with them, and always remember to listen to them. They all have so much to say, and we can all learn from them on how to keep going forward not worrying about what is going to happen. Being able to be a part of their growth and strength has been one of my greatest joys in life. Children are so resilient and don 't seem to over analyze things. They just want to go to school, see friends, hang out, and even come to Bible every week to teach me a few things. I want to say thank you to every child at CLS/CLC and SWAG for teaching me to let go of things that I don 't and can 't control but to just be happy with being able to get together and even though we may not have a structured night sometimes, we always are happy to get together and be together which is what matters... Being a COG is working on being the best they can and having a good time doing it!

Have a great summer and always watch for announcements of what we are planning on doing next and what next year will bring us! Thank you to everyone who has: prayed for us, supported us, brought your recycling, and took the recycling (thank you Tammy), saved your quarters, and mainly showing our Youth that they are special and our future. Amen Jenn

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord.
Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and future. -Jeremiah 29:11

Community classifieds...give ~ trade ~ Sell ~ help

Hi Everyone!

There's been a suggestion that we add a "classified" section to the CLC Newsletter! I think it's a great idea. What about you all? If we decide to do this on a monthly basis, we will of course have to develop some guidelines. Here are a few that I thought of:

1. Limited to our CLC/CLS community.
2. Space is available on a first come/first served basis.
3. Ads must be appropriate for the audience.
4. The advertiser must provide their own contact information (not the church office).
5. Due to limited space, the ads will be simple text.

Thanks! And, let us know what you think: clcwc@clcwc.com

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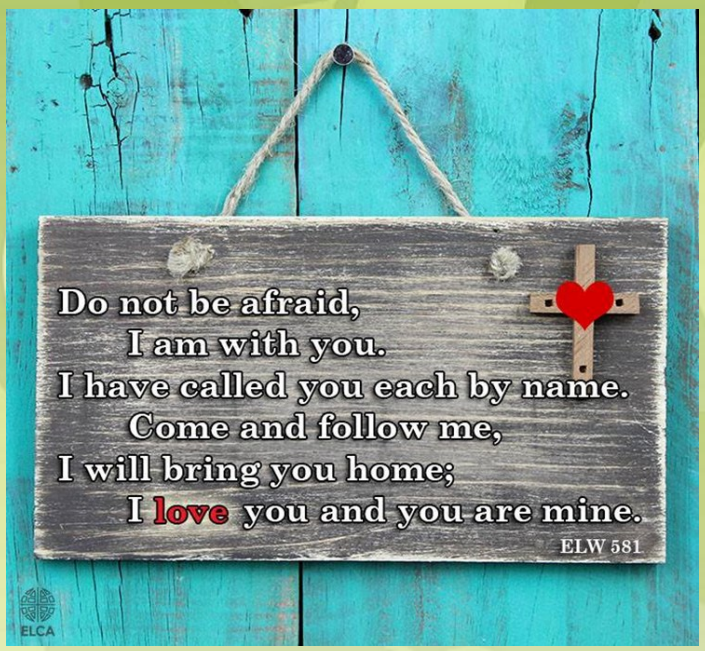
June 16th, Fellowship Hall from 8am-6pm



Happy Anniversary!

Keith & Sandi Batcheller	5
Jay & Lori Schraan	9
Jeff & Shelly Egbert	11
Joy Schaich	14
Rob & Lorena Burgess	23
Rosie & Roger San Juan	23
David & Shannon Terry	26

Happy Birthday!

Patricia Murray	06/04
Patra Melstrom	06/05
Claudia Mendoza	06/07
Gerald Wisz	06/07
Georgina Mathias	06/09
Cailin Couch	06/16
James Arnold	06/17
Dolores Osborne	06/17
Gilda Dominguez	06/18
Jennifer Jones	06/19
Roger San Juan	06/19
Elizabeth Amer	06/20
Matthew Mendoza	06/21
Barbra Armstrong	06/23
Cherie Olague	06/23
Christine Trapschuh	06/25
Jennifer Arnold	06/26
Tricia Kasamatsu	06/26
Lori Schraan	06/26
Riley Smith	06/28
Cole Armstrong	06/30
Faye Redella	06/30

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July 2022 CLC Newsletter Deadline
June 23rd at 9:00 a.m.

June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 12:00 pm CLS Graduation	2	3	4
5	6 9:00 am Vacation Bible School - Cancelled 🙁	7 9:00 am Vacation Bible School - Cancelled 🙁	8 9:00 am Vacation Bible School - Cancelled 🙁 9:30 am Blanket Buddies	9 7:30 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Vacation Bible School - Cancelled 🙁 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study	10 9:00 am Vacation Bible School - Cancelled 🙁	11
12 10:30 am Summit Meeting	13 8:00 am CLS Summer School Session 1 Begins	14 6:30 pm Church Council Mtg.	15	16 7:30 am Men's Bible Study 8:00 am Life Line Screening 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study	17	18
19	20	21 11:30 am Baby Boomers 5:30 pm Trustees	22	23 7:30 am Men's Bible Study 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study	24	25 2:00 pm F. Mielke Memorial Service
26	27	28	29	30 7:30 am Men's Bible Study 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study		