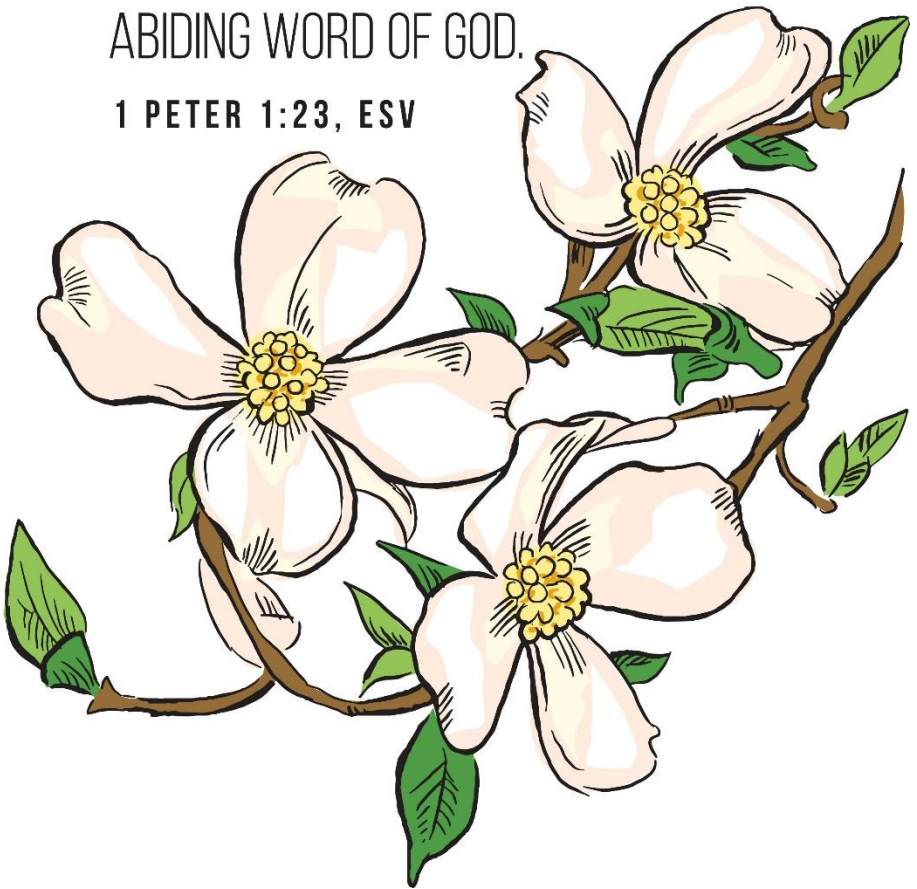


**Sunday, April 19, 2026**

*You have been  
born again...*

THROUGH THE LIVING AND  
ABIDING WORD OF GOD.

**1 PETER 1:23, ESV**



***Christ's Lutheran Church  
Murrysville, Pennsylvania***

# **“A Place to Believe, Belong, and Become”**



**Christ's Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and welcoming, Christian community committed to encouraging faith-filled living, deepening friendships, and life-changing discipleship.**

Welcome! If you are new to worship in a Lutheran church, this introduction will help guide you through our worship service. The prayers, responses, and service music are printed in this bulletin. You will need to use the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnals to sing the hymns. Our Sunday morning service is livestreamed on YouTube and your image may appear.

**Communion** - All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the gift of Holy Communion. Children who haven't received Holy Communion may also come forward for a blessing. You can either kneel or remain standing when you come to the altar. We offer both wheat and gluten-free wafers, and both wine and grape juice. If you would like to receive grape juice, please take a glass from the tray that has already been filled when you come forward. If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer, please let the Pastor know when you are given the bread.

**Children are always welcome!** Please feel free to walk around in the rear area of our worship space if your child becomes restless. Rest rooms (with diaper decks) are located in the hallway to the right of the entryway. You can find cloth bags containing activities for children aged 3 and older in the back of our worship space. We ask you to please return the cloth bags and their contents (minus any artwork your child creates while you are worshipping) at the end of today's service.

**CHRIST'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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## **Third Sunday of Easter**

*(Please silence your electronic devices)*

### **PRELUDE**

*Instrumental*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OF CONCERNS**

#### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

**C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

**C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

**C: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **GATHERING HYMN**

*“As We Gather at Your Table”*

*ELW #522*

## **GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## **KYRIE**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord

**C: Amen.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **FIRST READING: PSALM 116: 1-4, 12-19**

A: I love the Lord because he has heard  
my voice and my supplications.

**C: Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

A: The snares of death encompassed me;  
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;  
I suffered distress and anguish.

**C: Then I called on the name of the Lord,  
“O Lord, I pray, save my life!”**

A: What shall I return to the Lord  
for all his bounty to me?

**C: I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the Lord;**

A: I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.

**C: Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful ones.**

A: O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.  
You have loosed my bonds.

**C: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the Lord.**

A: I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people,

**C: in the courts of the house of the Lord,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord!**

## **SECOND READING: 1 PETER 1: 13-23**

Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the

desires that you formerly had in ignorance. Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct, for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

### **IMAGINATION TIME** with Pastor Sue

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*(please stand)*



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter  
**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

#### **HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 24:13-35**

Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were

talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MESSAGE

Pastor Sue Washburn

(please be seated)

### **“Faithful Living in Challenging Times”**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!”*

ELW #377

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from Philippians 2

*Known as the Christ Hymn, this is thought to be one of the first “creeds” of the early Christian church*

**C: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

*A brief silence*

P: Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus and with new Christians facing opposition, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting, and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring

integrity; where there is violence, sow peace. May our leaders follow your example servant leadership. Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Eternal Light, we give thanks for all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Sustainer of faith, we pray for Christ's Church as it discerns your call for future ministries. Guide the leadership of the church to seek your vision first. Inspire everyone to share in the new thing that you have begun. Work in the heart and mind of the incoming pastor as he or she prepares for this leadership. Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick. Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

***Today we pray for:***

Lindsey Boyer, Ron Brennan, Randy Clouser, Joel Erwin, Pearl Elliott, David Favero, Joseph Grabowski, Sr., Peggy Henry, Doug Keefer, Lisa Lehman, John Magnus, Derwood Montgomery, Michael O'Donnell, Evan Pavloff, Jeff Pope, Betty Reagan, Paul Rizzo, Lonnie Shurnia, Ron Spagna, Marianne Trainor, and Sue Werner



***And for our church members and friends:***

Matthew, Rhiannon, Annie & Nolan Ackerman  
Tom, Karen & Jennifer Adams  
Denise Anderson  
Gary Anderson

P: God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

*The congregation shares the peace of Christ with each other.*

## OFFERING

P: The gifts we offer today will feed those who come to this church hungry for God's love, allow us to show Christ's love to our neighbors, and demonstrate our gratitude to God for all that we have. Please give your gifts, tithes, and offerings generously.

*You can place your offering in the offering plate that is passed at this time in our service,*

*You can scan this QR code to our online giving page,*



*You can use our app to send your offering,*

*or mail your offering to the church:*

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## THE OFFERTORY

*Instrumental*

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

A: Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

**C: Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us now pray together as Jesus taught us.

**C: 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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

### HOLY COMMUNION

*(please be seated)*

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the gift of Holy Communion. If you are unable to come forward, please let us*

*know and we will come to you. When Communion is finished, please stand.*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

**C: Amen.**

### **THE BLESSING**

P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN**

*“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (vs 1, 2, 5)*

*ELW #392*

### **THE DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

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

### **POSTLUDE**

*Instrumental*

Pastor  
Pastor Emeritus  
Organist  
Pianist  
Parish Administrator

Rev. Sue Washburn  
Rev. Steven J. Myers  
Joshua Beck  
Nancy Finke Sheehan  
Laura Vincenti

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

Christ's Lutheran Church will be receiving new members in June. If you'd like to join the church or would like to learn more about CLC before deciding to join, please pick up a New Member Questionnaire or Information Request in the Entryway.

*We'll be holding a new member class on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> after our morning service. Submit a new member questionnaire to be included.*

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***Kiski Valley Community Band***

*Presents*

## ***Springtime Sounds***

***Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30***

A ***FREE*** concert hosted  
***Christ's Lutheran***

***Donations will benefit:***

*The Kiski Valley Food Bank  
and Christ's Little Pantry*



We are celebrating the Confirmation of ***Isabel Nazak and Brady Yurisnec*** during our worship service on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.



We're hosting a reception in their honor in the upper Social Hall following the service. Please plan to join us as we celebrate with our new confirmands!

# Deadlines



This Monday, April 20th



End of the day on Wednesdays

Drop off at the office or email to [office@christsmurrysville.org](mailto:office@christsmurrysville.org)

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## *Ladies Brunch*

**Saturday, April 25th 11:00 – 1:00**

Ladies of the church - Please join us for food & sistership on the 4th Saturday of each month for all of us to enjoy our time together.



Any tasty treat you'd like to share is appreciated. Please register so we know how many to prepare for: on our website, or our app, or on the sign-up on the sheet in the entryway.

*We look forward to seeing you!*

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## 2026 HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE SENIORS

May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> is **GRADUATE WEEKEND** at Christ's Lutheran, when we will be recognizing our graduates during services. We hope you can be with us to receive our congratulations on achieving this milestone and blessings for your future!

We invite you to submit a photo and a summary of your activities, interests and future plans. The info will be posted on the bulletin board in the Entryway to share with our church members, and also featured in our June newsletter.

Parents, you're welcome to submit on behalf of your graduate; it's a busy time for them! Deadlines: **May 11<sup>th</sup>** to have your picture and your write-up for display on the CLC bulletin board. **May 20<sup>th</sup>** to have your information included in our June newsletter. Email to: [office@christsmurrysville.org](mailto:office@christsmurrysville.org).

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## **Love to Puzzle?**

Please join other puzzle lovers for fun and fellowship on Friday, **May 1, at 10:00 am** as we build together.



**MAKE NOISE FOR MISSION! May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Gather up your change and let's make some NOISE!!!  
Donation of your loose change benefits our sister church, Trinity Lutheran on the North Side. Collection cans will be located on the offering table and up front by the baptismal font.



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**May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>      CHRIST'S LITTLE PANTRY WEEKEND**

*Are you, or someone you know, experiencing food insecurity?*

*If you need food, "Take what you need."*

*If you have extra food to share, please "Leave what you can."*

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU** to everyone who has been contributing to the success of our Little Pantry. The food in the pantry goes quickly and we have been replenishing the pantry almost daily.

As food insecurity increases, variety is important in choosing the items that people can find in the Little Pantry. We are asking you to focus on cereal and other breakfast items, complete pancake mixes (made with water), syrup, peanut butter, jelly, soup, tuna & other canned meats, fruit (canned or in individual packs), lunchbox foods and baby food. Please remember, when you bring your donations to the church, you can put your items directly into the Little Pantry or leave them in the grocery cart in our entryway.



You can also support the Little Pantry with a cash donation that's clearly marked, "Little Pantry."

NOTE: Permits from the State and Health Department are needed have any type of fresh food in the pantry, so *we can no longer accept fresh food.*

Please remember that our Little Pantry may provide the only food a family has to meet its needs — protein is very important.

Please continue to support this ministry, knowing that your generosity will help families right here in the Plum & Murrysville area.



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Men, join us on the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 am when we serve up a traditional breakfast and spend time in fellowship.

Our next breakfast will be on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am in the downstairs social hall.

***No RSVP needed, you're welcome anytime.***



Caring Hearts & Hands is a volunteer group that keeps in touch with CLC families and friends who are on our Caring List who appreciate and enjoy knowing that others are thinking of them. This contact can be in the form of a phone call, a visit, a card, or even a box lunch! Our lunches are delivered in a beautifully decorated box that offers a delicious lunch with goodies and surprises!

CH&H meets on the second Thursday of the month; our next meeting will be at 9:30 AM, **May 14th** in the downstairs fellowship hall. We'll be planning our box lunch menu, which we will pack and deliver in June. After our meeting, we'll be going for brunch. Even if you can't attend the meeting, you're welcome to join us for brunch!

We always look forward to having more volunteers! Also, if you or someone you know could benefit from our outreach of Caring, or if you have any questions, please call Romaine Miller at 412-996-4915.

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## UPDATED

### **Receive Important CLC Information on Your Smart Phone**

Scan the QR code or search your app store for Christ's Lutheran (ELCA) to download the CLC app to your phone. Set up your profile, then follow the steps below.



*Even if you previously downloaded our app and created your profile, there are a few things to be done in order to receive our notifications:*

- ~ Open the app and click on your initials in the circle on the top right to go to the settings for the CLC app. Check your Profile to make sure your mobile phone number is correct.
- ~ Go back to the settings, scroll down to App Settings and click on Notifications. Make sure Notifications in the CLC app is set to ON (the button should be slid to the right).

When you receive a notification from CLC, it will pop up briefly on your screen then download to where your unread texts, social media messages, etc. are stored until you read them. You'll also see the church



icon in the notifications bar on your phone screen. Tap or swipe your notifications bar to read what we've sent.

Messages from CLC are not texts and the message won't appear in the app you use to send/receive texts.

If you have any questions, contact the church office at 412-795-1212.

Calling a  
new pastor

EVERYONE'S INVITED  
**SAVE THE DATE**  
**MAY 31**

Sharing our stories of faith, identity, and resilience (and lunch!)



**Flea market**

**bake sale**

**Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**8 AM to 2 PM**

It's time to clean out your closets, take a look around your house and start collecting items for this year's sale!

For a complete list of drop off days and times, and things excluded from the sale, please check the church newsletter for April and May.

Sign-up sheets for flea market volunteers and baked goods are in the entryway. The Outreach Committee appreciates your support for this annual fundraising event!



**Join CLC's Weekend Worship Team**

to our worship assistants, greeters, ushers, all who set up for services, reconcilers, and the tech team who offer their time and talents to make our worship services go smoothly.



If you would like to join our Weekend Worship Team, you can sign up using the app: Click on "Join a Weekend Worship Team," or scan this QR code. Want more information? Contact the church office.

## Create a Lasting Legacy

Are you considering a special gift or an estate gift to Christ's Lutheran Church?

Gift planning services are available at no cost to you through the services of the ELCA Foundation and our Regional Gift Planner, Ryan Ebner.

Ryan can assist you with establishing a comprehensive estate plan that provides for your family and the ministries you care about.

See the "Legacy and Special Gifts" brochure in the rack outside of the office for more information. You can contact Ryan at (814)-823-3285 or [ryan.ebner@elca.org](mailto:ryan.ebner@elca.org).



CHRIST'S LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP

# MEALS FROM THE HEART

JOIN US AS WE MAKE LUNCH FOR THE FAMILIES AT THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE OF PITTSBURGH. MUST BE AGE 13+ TO ATTEND

## SUNDAY, MAY 3

Only 8 spots available due to space constraints - RSVP to Amy Wineman at [awineman@outlook.com](mailto:awineman@outlook.com)

## Stitched With Love

If you enjoy knitting and crocheting, or would like to learn, our stitching group meets Tuesdays from 9 to 11 am in the downstairs social hall.

We make hats for cancer patients, baby blankets, prayer shawls, and other needed items. Or bring your own project to work on. It's a time to be creative & enjoy one another's fellowship. For information, contact Leslie Sill at nonnasill@comcast.net.



## **CLC's Ronald McDonald House Pull Tab Project!**

We're collecting aluminum tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Working with a local recycler, pop tabs from soda cans, soup cans, pet food, and other canned goods are turned into money to support RMHC's mission.

That money helps RMHC provide comfort, care and support for families with children who are sick.



You can help by depositing tabs you collect in the container in the church Entryway.

## **Do something drastic, cut the plastic!**



**Thank you for continuing to bring your plastic bags for recycling!**

*All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue.*



**Check the sticker on the front of the recycling bin for the list of which plastics can be recycled.**

*Please, no hard plastic: food containers, soda bottles, milk jugs, cleaning product bottles, etc.*

**Worshiping via our livestream? Type "Hello" in the chat box so we know you've joined!**



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Did you know those over age 70 1/2 can withdraw funds federally tax free from Retirement Accounts such as IRAs through a Qualified Charitable Distribution?



The withdrawal is made payable directly to the qualified charity by the IRA custodian and counts toward any federal annual Required Minimum Distribution.

Contributions made through QCD's are an available vehicle to support Christ's

Lutheran Church's mission while reducing personal income subject to federal taxes. Talk with your financial planner to learn more.

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**CLC's Prayer Circle**

Ann Rockette is our Prayer Circle Coordinator. You can send your prayer request through CLC's website or app or by phoning or emailing the office: 412-795-1212, [office@christsmurrysville.org](mailto:office@christsmurrysville.org)



**Do you want to be part of our ministry of prayer?** Contact the office to be added to the list of those notified of requests for prayers.



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**Join a class  
at any time!**

**Sunday mornings  
at 9:00**





**REMINDER:**

**Our church's exterior doors are locked at the beginning of services.**

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Churches and their members are a favorite target of phone scammers, and there has been an uptick in scammers spoofing church phone numbers and using AI to recreate a familiar voice.



Even if you receive a call from someone that *sounds like* someone from CLC or comes from a phone number that IDs as Christ's Lutheran or Pastor Sue, please know that neither our Pastor nor staff will call and ask you to share contact or personal information about other members of our church. This could include information you may know about someone because you worship or volunteer together, or information you'd look up in a church directory or other CLC resources.

Nor will Pastor Sue (or other staff) call or text to ask you to buy a gift card or go to a bank for her. This is a scammer favorite!

***Stay safe!***



**Our church office is open:**

|          |                |
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| Monday   | 9 am - 2:30 pm |
| Tuesday  | 9 am - 2:30 pm |
| Thursday | 9 am - 2:30 pm |
| Fridays  | 9 am - 2:30 pm |

*Please call before coming to the church to be sure someone is available to help.*

**412-795-1212**

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 19<sup>th</sup> – April 26<sup>th</sup> 2026

*Keep our Ministry and Community in Your Prayers Each Day This Week*

## Sunday 4/19

9:00 am

10:00 am

7:30 pm

### ***The presence of the Holy Spirit in our church***

Sunday School for Children & Adults

Sunday Worship

*live streamed at [christsmurrysville.org](http://christsmurrysville.org)*

Narcotics Anonymous

## Monday 4/20

5:00 pm

8:00 pm

### ***Those who quietly volunteer their time “behind the scenes” to make all the things our church does go smoothly***

Kindermusik

Alcoholics Anonymous

## Tuesday 4/21

9:00 am

9:30 am

10:00 am

5:00 pm

6:30 pm

### ***Those dealing with significant health problems, and those who support them***

Stitched With Love

Kindermusik

Congregational Life Team

Kindermusik

Support Team

## Wednesday 4/22

10:00 am

### ***Kiski Area Food Pantry and all those it serves***

Kindermusik

## Thursday 4/23

9:30 am

### ***Joshua Beck and Nancy Finke Sheehan, our church musicians***

Kindermusik

## Friday 4/24

4:00 pm

5:30 pm

### ***The ongoing work of the Blackburn Center and its shelter program for abused women***

Scent Training for Dogs

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## Saturday 4/25

11:00 am

6:00 pm

7:30 pm

### ***The women of our congregation***

Ladies' Brunch

Saturday Worship

***Sounds of Spring*** concert & fellowship

## Sunday 4/26

9:00 am

10:00 am

11:15 am

7:30 pm

### ***Those who are considering joining our congregation***

Sunday School for Children & Adults

Sunday Worship

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New Member Class

Narcotics Anonymous