

THE MESSENGER



You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not mere human beings?

What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.

1 Cor 3:3-9 NIV

Greetings:

St. Paul reminds us that we are all co-workers in God's service. One is not greater than another. One of the hardest things for a pastor to do is to say good-bye to their congregation. It has been a good few years here with all of you.

Our plan is to be staying in Bunnell during the winter season. Other than that, what our future will bring is in God's hands. I know that there are among you some who think that I will remain with Christ Lutheran as a member. That; unfortunately cannot happen. It is an unwritten rule for Lutheran pastors not to remain in the congregation as a member. That rule is for the sake of the congregation and for the ministry of the congregation. We must leave for the sake of the ministry of the congregation. We must step aside and allow the new pastor to take on the responsibility of shepherding the flock.

You will have a new pastor with different gifts than mine. With the help of God, he and all of you will use the gifts that God has given all of you for His glory. Whether intended or not, pastors who retire and remain within the congregation that they served interfere with the ministry of the new pastor. There will be some who prefer the former pastor over the new and they will not hesitate to ask the retired pastor to do something that is clearly within the new pastor's call. There will be some who will go to the former pastor for advice and spiritual direction simply because they know them better. The former pastor may also have a hard time refraining from giving his or her advice whether it is requested or not. Although it may be totally innocent and no harm is intended, this reliance on the former pastor can be very damaging and divisive to the congregation. I have witnessed a few too many congregations that have been lost in a state of divisiveness because a former pastor would not leave his flock.

Although, I bid you farewell as your pastor, I will, as a friend, visit the congregation and worship with all of you on occasion. But, for your sake, I cannot remain a member.

God's Peace - Pr. Judy

Dear CLC Members,

Well, we are opening a new page in the history of Christ Lutheran Church.

Last Sunday, the congregation overwhelmingly supported John Johnson by voting to have him installed as Contract Pastor of Christ Lutheran Church. His installation will be on May 19, 2019 during the Sunday Worship Service. More information will be sent out in the weeks to come.

With this vote, the congregation has also agreed to do all they can to insure John's and CLC success and growth.

We are a small congregation, but we periodically see a few new faces. We are blessed with all our devoted members as well as the new faces we see.

Most of us are getting older and facing more and more challenges due to age. We are reaching a point where fewer and fewer of us are able to do what we did in the past. I am asking each of us to help, wherever we can. Please ask if there is any little task you can do. Each little task adds up to one person's large responsibility. Please, give this some thought. Could be just opening and locking the doors on Sunday morning, making sure the bathrooms are ready for Sunday morning, helping with soup Wednesdays, cleaning up after any of our fellowships, and the list goes on.

We started this church because of our belief in God and wanting to spread the Good News. The Holy Spirit was with us from day one and is still with us today. Let's all help John grow spiritually and grow as Pastor John. May the Lord be with us and help us spread the Word to all those we can reach in Flagler County.

Please join us as we look forward to being part of this new page in the history of Christ Lutheran Church.

Pat Ganster

Council President

WISH LIST:

The Evangelism Team would like to let everyone know we are updating our projects for the remainder of this year. We are reminding the congregation that the church has a "Wish List" for expenses not covered in our budget and would appreciate your help.

Quilters

Last Sunday another quilt was raffled and the lucky winner was Helen Johnson!

Recent Changes in Directory

In case you missed these changes which were in the April Messenger...

New cell phone: George Hagel 386-283-6188

Corrected email: Hank & Phyllis Lytle phyllis.lytle@yahoo.com

Cell phone and email: Larry & Dottie Liddick (Cell) 717-344-1694; dotliddick@yahoo.com

New address effective April 1st: Carolyn A. Hoffmann
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Bill Streett

Evangelism,

Asst. Pr. John Johnson

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Education

Pr. Judy Mattson - Liaison

Property

Jimmy Myers and Larry Phillips

Music and Worship

Jean Hill

Finance

Jimmy Myers

Hospitality

Sandy Halcomb

Long Term Prayer Concerns

In Our Prayers: Sunnie MacLeod, Diane Dotson, George Hagel, Marie Walters, Marjorie Matthews, Vivian Jones, Tom Mendel, Eleanor Schmidtke, Edna McCrohan, and Arlie Johnson.

Also, please keep Jimmy Myers in your prayers in the coming months as he undergoes chemo treatment after which he will probably need an operation.

Mary-Martha Circle

Our next meeting will be May 21st at 1:00 p.m. and we will be discussing Chapter 8. Linda Dyer and Jody Hitz will be the Hostesses for May.

Crafters

The crafters will be placing roses on the Veterans' graves at Craig Flagler Palms Cemetery on Old Kings Road for Memorial Day on Saturday May 26th at 10:00 a.m. and removing them the following Saturday - June 1st. Again, we would welcome any helpers who wish to volunteer!

Secret Sisters

The Secret Sister Group will have a brunch on Thursday, May 9th at 11⁰⁰ a.m. at the home of Martha and Charlie Taylor, 69 Eagle Harbor Trail, Palm Coast, Florida.

Reminders

Live Life: Daily devotion online - pastorjimm.blogspot.com

Facebook: Christ Lutheran Church of Palm Coast now has a fb page. Here's the link to it: <https://www.facebook.com/Christ-Lutheran-Church-of-Palm-Coast-1065634510193240/> or on facebook do a search for Christ Lutheran Church of Palm Coast.

Having Visitors?

Many of us have company that arrive with "little ones". If you are in need of a porta-crib, stroller or booster seat, we have one of each here at church. Don't go and buy these items, just borrow them from church. We also have a wheelchair, adult potty chair and walker that can be borrowed by any of our members.

Flowers In Honor Of or In Memory Of

If members wish to place flowers In Memory Of, or In Honor Of a loved one, the member may purchase and place a rose in a vase on the altar. Please let Linda Dyer know, via e-mail if possible, at least one week in advance that you are doing this so it can be entered in the bulletin. If you do not have e-mail you may call Linda at the church office (437-4113).

May Birthdays

4 Phyllis Spitz
8 Diane Dotson
12 Lois Andrs
20 Paige Eicher
20 Ken Dyer
22 Patricia Ganster
26 Tracy Halcomb

This Month Please Pray For

Renewal/Revival throughout all the Christian Congregations in Flagler County (note: this is the month of Pentecost)

May, 2019

<i>SUNDAY</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>
			1 9 ⁰⁰ Crafters 11 ⁰⁰ Windsor 2 ⁰⁰ Princeton 5 ⁰⁰ 1st Wed. Service 5 ³⁰ Soup/ Fellowship	2	3	4 9 ⁰⁰ Choir Practice 10 ³⁰ Baruch Hashem <i>(Sanctuary)</i>
5 830 Breakfast 9 ³⁰ Youth Sunday School 10am Worship	6	7 12 ³⁰ Council Meeting	8 9 ⁰⁰ Crafters 11 ⁰⁰ Windsor 12 ³⁰ Emmaus Group 2 ⁰⁰ Princeton Village	9 10 ⁰⁰ Worship & Music 11 ⁰⁰ Secret Sister Brunch at Martha Taylor's	10	11 9 ⁰⁰ Choir Practice 10 ³⁰ Baruch Hashem <i>(Sanctuary)</i>
12 8 ⁴⁵ -9 ³⁵ Adult Sunday School 9 ³⁰ Youth Sunday School 10am Worship	13	14	15 9 ⁰⁰ Crafters 11 ⁰⁰ Windsor 2 ⁰⁰ Princeton Village	16	17	18 9 ⁰⁰ Choir Practice 10 ³⁰ Baruch Hashem <i>(Sanctuary)</i>
19 8 ⁴⁵ -9 ³⁵ Adult Sunday School 9 ³⁰ Youth Sunday School 10am Worship/ John Johnson Installation	20	21 1 ⁰⁰ Mary-Martha Circle - Ch. 8	22 9 ⁰⁰ Crafters 11 ⁰⁰ Windsor 2 ⁰⁰ Princeton Village	23 11 ⁰⁰ Evangelism Meeting	24	25 9 ⁰⁰ Choir Practice 10 ⁰⁰ Place Roses 10 ³⁰ Baruch Hashem <i>(Sanctuary)</i>
26 8 ⁴⁵ -9 ³⁵ Adult Sunday School 9 ³⁰ Youth Sunday School 10 ⁰⁰ Worship/ 11 ⁰⁰ Annual Cong. Meeting	27 Memorial Day	28	29 9 ⁰⁰ Crafters 11 ⁰⁰ Windsor 2 ⁰⁰ Princeton Village	30	31	

FELLOWSHIP: We are having a coffee fellowship on Sunday mornings right after church.

FOR EMERGENCIES: Pr. John will be on call. John - 386-503-9933



VOLUNTEERS for May, 2019

2019	5th	12th	19th	26th
Altar Care	Pauline Martin <small>White Paraments</small>	 <small>White Paraments</small>	Pauline Martin <small>White Paraments</small>	 <small>White Paraments</small>
Lay Minister	Joan Irwin		Jody Hitz	
Lector		Pat Ganster		Tracy Halcomb
Ushers	Paul & Judy Julch	Larry Phillips & Linda Dyer	Pete Ganster & Bill Streett	Don & Erica Roach
Sound Board	Ngaio Carlisle	Don Roach	Jimmy Myers	Pete Ganster
Audio/Visual	Linda Dyer	Pat Ganster	Don Roach	Richard Irwin