

# THE MESSENGER

“Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of man has no place to lay His head.” Matthew 8:20

## **March Messenger 2021**

Well, here we are at the Lenten season once again. As we follow Jesus and His disciples on their pilgrimage. How are you doing with your fasting? How are you doing, following Jesus as He makes His way to the cross? I know that we read the words of the disciples but how much do you feel that you really have a grasp on what it means to not have a home to go to so that you may lay your head down in peace.

As we see Jesus going along and performing miracles in the name of His Father, He is the only one who understands the gravity of His impending death. Jesus doesn't just go out and perform a miracle and then return home for rest. Jesus has no time for rest and no place to go to go rest.

As we continue along the Lenten season let us keep in prayer those who have lost everything with this COVID and also the storms. So many people, sleeping in their cars or in shelters; the basic essentials such as food, water, heat and a roof over them and their families, they don't even have these. Let us show our love for Christ and our fellow man by bringing whatever we can to the facilities that are able to help, or just right here to church and we can get them to those who can give them out. Right now, church on the Rock has told me that they could use clothing such as men's underwear size 30-36, undershirts S-L, socks, pull-over shirts S-L and pants waist-30-36, socks for ladies, pants size 8-12 and pull-over shirts S-L. So many are hurting and we are so blessed. I know that anything that you bring will be most greatly appreciated. As we follow Christ on this journey, let's not be just spectators, let's be doer's. May God our Father watch over each of you and keep you safe. May the Holy Spirit move you to do God's work.

God Bless and it is so good to be back.

Pastor John

Dear Members and Friends of CLC,

It is so good to have Pastor John back at church!!!

A special thank you to all those that helped during his absence. Each little piece someone did made all the difference. We are truly blessed to have volunteers that can step up and lead the service. In spite of being sick, Pastor John wrote a sermon for each week. Our Lay Minsters then delivered that sermon to all of us. With our tight budget, we couldn't have had our services, without this volunteer base.

We are staying on track with our budget. Some weeks/months are better than others. In the end, all bills are paid and there is money in the checking account and we haven't ever touched our Savings account. We are a small congregation, but are financially OK.

This year, we are not having Weekly Lenten services. Instead, Pastor John is sending out a lesson weekly for us to do at home. With Covid, it was the safest way for us to have a mid-week lesson. Hope all are able to spend the time, doing the weekly lessons.

Wouldn't it be nice if by summer, we could have an outdoor picnic? Just think getting together and having fellowship with all of our friends at CLC. Maybe it can happen. Only time will tell.

In the meantime, if you are not able to attend Sunday services, know we miss you! We understand why you aren't attending and look forward to the day when we can all worship together again.

Happy Spring.

Pat Ganster

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Dear Members and Friends:...

In order to ensure the safety of all, Christ Lutheran Church is taking careful precautions to keep the building clean and safe and sanitized as we have opened again. We will send out further emails, as needed, to keep you informed.

In an emergency, please contact Pastor John at: 386-503-9933.

Be safe and well. God Bless each and every one of you.

Pastor John and Church Council

**The Ladies of Christ Lutheran Church-**

**What are they doing?**

**Craters** - These ladies meet every Wednesday from 9am until 11:30am. They create the crafts that are sold in our lobby. Members bring suggestions and they all have fun creating them. No real talent needed, only a desire to socialize and laugh. Come every week or just once in awhile. Everyone is always welcome.

**Quilters** - Joan Irwin is our church quilt maker. She is always looking for others willing to make quilts. Every Wednesday from 9am-11:30am she is found doing the hand stitching on quilts. All these quilts are then donated to local charities as well as Lutheran World Relief. Again, everyone is welcome.

**Mary Martha Circle** - This is our Ladies Bible Study group. They meet the third Tuesday of the month at 1pm. Their March meeting will be on March 16, 2021. This month will be Chapter 6. Part of this study is done by some reading and the other part is on a DVD. There is lots of interaction and sharing of ideas on what they are studying. Join them and see if this is something for you. All are welcome.

## **Prayer Concerns**

Bill Streett and Martha Taylor

## **Long Term Prayer Concerns**

In Our Prayers: George Hagel, Marjorie Matthews, Rosemarie Robinson, Helen Johnson, Charlie Taylor and Bill Streett.

## **Reminders**

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.

## **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 the office 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 the church office (437-4113).

### **March**

**4 Carolyn Hoffmann  
6 Phyllis Lytle  
9 Judy Whittington  
11 Larry Phillips  
11 Eric Bertish  
18 Joannie Myers  
18 Dot Soellner  
21 Sue Spinelli  
29 Louise Scobbo**

During March - We would like to pray for all those whose lives have been impacted by COVID. These people have lost their jobs, their homes and are really struggling. We are also praying for all those effected by the storms this winter.



# VOLUNTEERS for March, 2021

2021	7th	14th	21st	28th	
Altar Care	Pat Ganster				
Lay Minister	Joan Irwin		Jody Hitz		
Lector		Pete Seidel		Arlie Johnson	
Ushers	Paul & Judy Julch	Richard Irwin	Pete Ganster	Don & Erika Roach	
Sound Board	Don Roach	Pete Ganster	Don Roach	Pete Ganster	
Audio/Visual	Linda Dyer	Linda Dyer	Don Roach	Don Roach	