

# THE MESSENGER

## November Messenger 2021

*Now on His way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As He was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met Him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus Master, have pity on us!" When Jesus saw them, He said, "Go, and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went away, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus feet and thanked Him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner? Luke 17: 15-17*

Here we are again, it is autumn and Thanksgiving is upon us. Though this has been a troublesome year, when we look around and take stock of our lives, we surely have a great deal to be thankful for. Yes, we have members who are battling with illness, and yes COVID is still around, but there are many things for us to be thankful for. This year we are taking up collections of pajamas, I still cannot wrap my head around 1500 children in foster care or shelters. It is shameful that society has devolved into such chaos. But God does warn of us these times. We are also going to be providing for women and children in the battered homes.

While our church may be a smaller congregation, we are full of love and compassion for our fellow man. This is what sets us apart from other congregations. We are not about me, me, me! Or I, I, I! We look to see what we can do to make our community better. As a Pastor, I have been reading about and talking to other Pastors of small Lutheran churches and this seems to be the same situation for most. It is the smaller parishes that seem to want to do more for others, and while I wish that this was not the exception, I am most proud of our parish.

This year, while we are enjoying our Thanksgiving and preparing to begin Advent, let us pray that God our Father would touch the hearts of those who would only think of themselves. We are an amazing church; God reaches down and uses each of us to bring glory to His name. May others witness this and turn to the Lord and away from self indulgences. God Bless each of you for all that you do to spread His word to others. May you enjoy your Thanksgiving and praise God for all that He has provided.

Your Servant in Christ, Pastor John  
God's Peace and Grace to All

Dear Members and Friends of CLC,

I am excited that we are finally able to do more activities here in church. Join us for as many activities as you are able.

**We are once again heading toward the end of another year. Budget time is here and Phyllis and I are working on projections for next year. Our Annual Meeting will be on November 21, 2021 immediately following the service. The budget will be presented at that time.**

We are so truly blessed. All bills are paid and when we ask for extra help, we always have the help. We have been able to maintain this church, even though the number of members has declined. I am confident, we will continue to keep our church the wonderful giving church that it has always been.

Just recently, we purchased new blinds. The blinds cost \$686.00 and to date we have collected \$500.00 toward the cost. Thank you to all that have contributed to the blinds.

Now on to other activities we are having:

- Oct. 31:        Reformation Sunday - Pot Luck, right after church**
- Nov. 7:        All Saints day - candles on the altar**
- Nov. 14:       Veterans Day Service**
- Nov. 21:       Annual Meeting**
- Nov. 28:       First Sunday of Advent - Advent Dinner right after church**
- Dec. 12:       Cantata**

**We are sill bringing in food items for Church on the Rock**

**We will again be purchasing Christmas gifts for the family at Family Life Center**

**AGAIN THANK YOU FOR HELPING!!**

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY**

We collected 79 new pajamas for foster children in Flagler County

There are over 1500 children in foster care in our area. Your donation will certainly help.

**LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!!**

The University Women of Flagler are hosting a "Day of Games"

Friday November 12 at the Palm Coast Community Center – (9:30 am - 2:30 pm)

Tickets: \$25 pp – Tables of 4, 6 or 8 (bring your favorite games to play)

Includes: breakfast breads, a delicious homemade lasagna luncheon,  
coffee/tea, desserts, raffles and door prizes

Proceeds benefit the University Women of Flagler's Scholarship Fund for young women  
graduates of Flagler County Schools.

For Tickets and information: Lynn Foraker 386-309-0069 Lforaker84@hotmail.com

**FAMILY LIFE CHRISTMAS**

Members have been asking if we are going to give Christmas gifts to the children at the Family Life Center this year. Everyone is so enthusiastic to continue this tradition. The center has been contacted and excited we are again doing this. They will contact us with family information the beginning of November and then we can pass the information to the congregation.

---

## Christ Lutheran Church

---

*Pastor - John Johnson*

386-503-9933

[johndj1057@gmail.com](mailto:johndj1057@gmail.com)

2323 N. State St. (US1)-Unit112

Bunnell, FL 32110

Office: 386-437-4113

[christlutheranchurchlcmc@gmail.com](mailto:christlutheranchurchlcmc@gmail.com)

[www.christlutheranpalmcoast.org](http://www.christlutheranpalmcoast.org)

.....  
President - Pat Ganster

Vice President -Larry Phillips

Corp. Secretary -

Sandy Halcomb

### **Council Assignments**

#### **Administration**

Pat Ganster

Linda Dyer

#### **Congregation Ministry/ Outreach**

#### **Outreach**

Sue Spinelli

#### **Evangelism,**

Pr. John Johnson

#### **Property**

Bill Streett

#### **Music and Worship**

Jean Hill

#### **Finance**

Phyllis Lytle

#### **Recording Secretary**

Lynn Foraker

#### **Hospitality**

Sandy Halcomb

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. Once again we will be wearing masks in church until we are seated.

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-**

#### **Mary Martha Circle**

Mary-Martha Circle will get together on November 30th for their Christmas Party... place to be determined. They will meet again on December 14th for the Lesson.

#### **Crafters**

The Crafters will be decorating the Christmas Trees (here at the Church and the Library) on November 17th starting at 9:00 a.m. here at the church. They are again asking for volunteers to help them.

#### **Quilters:**

The quilters have been busy working on their quilts. They are now back working here at the church. In preparing for our group meetings, we are in need additional fabric. Also, you may, of course, donate money so we can purchase supplies. Thanks for all your help. All are welcome to join us. No sewing skills needed, just a desire to help.

### **Thank You**

Paul Julch and Judy Julch, would like to thank the Congregation for all the visits, calls and cards they have received from the Congregation

### **Prayer Concerns**

Al Spitz, Paul Julch and Judy Julch, Larry Phillips and George Bertish.

### **Long Term Prayer Concerns**

In Our Prayers: Marjorie Matthews, Rosemarie Robinson, George Bertish.

### **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).

### **November**

2 Arlie Johnson  
6 Veronica Wilkening  
9 Jody Hitz  
18 Marjorie Matthews  
24 Pauline Martin

During November we will  
be praying for all the  
Veterans.



# VOLUNTEERS for November, 2021

2021	7th	14th	21st	28th
Altar Care	Sue Spinelli		Sue Spinelli	
Lay Minister	Joan Irwin		Jody Hitz	
Lector		Tracy Halcomb		Pat Ganster
Ushers	Pete Ganster Bill Streett	Pete & Carmen Seidel	Mike & Harriet Hinson	Don & Erika Roach
Sound Board	Pete Ganster	Don Roach	Pete Ganster	Pete Seidel
Computer	Linda Dyer	Sue Spinelli	Pat Ganster	Phyllis Lytle