Ways to Support Christ's Ministries & More . .



**RAM House** dining room is closed through February. Bagged lunches will continue on February 19th, March 5th & 19th. **Ouestions** contact

Kathy Arle: swakba@gmail.com

#### **Noah's Landing Preschool**

It is time to register for the 2021-2022 school year. We have had a great year so far, even with all the COVID-19 restrictions. The children have all done well and have adjusted to the changes we have made with limiting some of the



activities we have done in the past. The children are learning, having fun, and enjoying being with their friends. We are offering tours by appointment and you must wear a face mask when you are in the building.

Registration for new students is open, Noah's Landing Preschool offers classes for ages 12 months - 5 years (Pre-K). Check out our website at noahslandingpreshool.org or call Diana Pilat: 982-2254 to get a registration form or if you have any questions.

Yarn N Prayer If you know someone that would appreciate a prayer shawl at the moment please contact the church office so we may deliver shawls to people. In these unusual times prayer shawls give great comfort during sickness & healing. Thank you to those who continue to work on creating beautiful shawls for this ministry.

### **Covid19 Vaccine Ministry**

Are you over 65-years-old and need help signing up to receive the COVID-19 vaccine? We have several members of our congregation who have formed a vaccine ministry team. They will work with you to help get you registered with VDH or a local pharmacy.

Call one of our vaccine ministry members for help: Kelly Zuber (540) 309-0317 Kathy Arle (540) 808-7575 Debbie McCorkindale (540) 890-3926 Kristi Downs (540) 797-5828

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# Christ's Mini Communique

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. (Psalm 51:10)

We are almost back to where we started this crazy pandemic journey. Our first online worship service was in the middle of Lent 2020. This year, Ash Wednesday is February 17. We couldn't have imagined a year ago that we would not be gathering in person to receive the ashes on our foreheads in 2021.

So many of us have been personally touched by COVID-19. 465,000+ Americans have died from this virus – 2.3+ million worldwide. Given those statistics, we may not think we need the Ash Wednesday reminder: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

But, of course, we really do. The ashes are not merely a symbol of our mortality. They are also a reminder of who gives us life, who sustains us through our mortal life, who promises eternal life. We use the ashes to trace the sign of the cross on our foreheads – the cross that was first given to us in baptism. In good times and bad, in normal years (whatever that is) and pandemic years, we are children of God! We enter the season of Lent with confession - aware of our failings, vet filled with hope through our faith in the risen Christ.

We will not worship in-person this Ash Wednesday. We will gather online as we have been doing every Wednesday. You will still have the opportunity to receive the sign of ashes. You can pick them up on Sunday, February 14 at the drive-in service or call the church office to schedule at time to pick them up during the week. Pandemic or not, we are the church. Pandemic or not, we find a way to gather to worship the loving God who does indeed "...put a new and right spirit within [us]."

In Peace. Pastor Cindy

#### **Pray for Our Homebound Members:**

Betty Sittler, Katie Perfater, Benson Stanley, Marianne Shane.

#### Please also pray for:

2/8 – Eric Romeisor, Tom Schulz & Caryl Zaronikos, (all recovering from surgeries), Phyllis, Sandra Phillips (Surgery 2/25), Emily, Ginger, Bill & Carolyn Burgess, Lew Snead, Floyd Addison.

2/1- Katherine Craft, Scott Mangus family (covid19), Dave & Diane (covid19 recovery). 1/25 – Goody Freeman (hip surgery recovery), Marcia (surgery), Tom, Sue Davis & brother Joe Bartholomew. 1/18- Dkoa Jones (chemo treatments).

Families of: 1/25 – Dorothy Bartholomew (Sue Davis's mother), Robert Leun (Donna Furrow's father), Kathy Holiday, Yvonne Slonaker (passed 1/26/2021 at 91 years of age, a memorial honoring her life will be announced at a later time, https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/roanoke/name/ vvonne-slonaker-obituary?pid=197626041).



#### **Ash Wednesday Worship**

Family portions of *Ashes to Go*, for Ash Wed. Worship 2/17. You will be able to pickup Ashes during office hours, on Sunday 2/14, or arrangements can be made for delivery as well.



Sundays 10am, Drive-In parking lot Worship & Live Stream for February. **Streaming Live on Facebook** & later on our website.

# **Sunday Scripture Readings**

February 17th – Ash Wed. Night: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17, Ps 51:1-17, 2 Cor 5:20b-6:10, Matt 6:1-6, 16-21.

February 21st- 1st Sunday In Lent: Gen 9:8-17, Ps 25:1-10, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15.

February 28th-2nd Sunday In Lent: Gen 17:1-7, 15-16, Ps 22:23-31, Rom 4:13-25, Mark 8:31-38.

March 7th- 3rd Sunday In Lent: Exod 20:1-17, Ps 19, 1 Cor 1:18-25, John 2:13-22.



#### Confirmation



- ♦ Information about February and March Mentor meetings and Family Projects can be found here: www.faithatchrist.com/confirmation
- Gather in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30am on February 21.

FOOD BARREL: Don't forget that the food barrel is still available for non-perishable food item to donate. During office hours and Sunday mornings.

Donations are given to St Francis House.



Please check expiration dates on all food items and don't give if dates are expired, or about to, or if items have been opened. Nobody wants expired food!

Thank you for continuing to give support to Christ Lutheran Church & our community. Offerings: online at our website or through the postal service.

## JANUARY 2021 YTD FINANCIAL RESULTS

Income \$34,077 Expense 34,773 Net (\$696)



**ONLINE** "Seventh Day" is coming up in a few weeks (March 6th, 9:30-1:00)! Registration on our Synod website is

now live and the deadline for regular registration is Tuesday, Feb. 16th, so there's plenty of time, but no reason to delay!

https://www.vasynod.org/event/7th-day/

CLC will pay for the \$25 registration fee, just let us know!

#### **ONLINE EACH WEEK**

- Daily Devotions on Facebook
- Sundays 10am Drive-In & Facebook Live Worship
- Mondays 10:30 am Adult Bible Study ~ Via Zoom
  - Tuesday Evenings Feb. 16th. Christ Youth Group Meeting 7 pm ~ Via Zoom (check remind app & emails for updates)

2/17- Ash Wednesday Worship 7 pm ~ Facebook Live 2/24-3/24- Wed. Lenten Worship 7 pm ~ Facebook Live

- Wednesday Bible Study 7:30pm ~ Via Zoom (resumes 2/24)
- Thursdays Prayer & Meditation 1-3pm ~ Sanctuary Call church office prior 982-8334.

https://www.facebook.com/christlutheranroanoke www.christlutheranroanoke.org

# Watch for ZOOM links for online gatherings.

Via ~ email, first class mail, Facebook & Christ Lutheran Church website.

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