

February 2018

Together We Are The Church

## Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

Aloha Kakou,

We are now deep into the “busy” seasons of the Church year. Advent and Christmas have come and gone. We are well into the Sundays after Epiphany. Soon, *Lent, Passion Week, Easter and Pentecost* will be upon us.

We have switched to the *Narrative Lectionary*, a four-year cycle of readings, designed to help us grasp, experience and live out of the core of the Gospel – God’s rescue of Israel from Egypt and God’s raising the Crucified Jesus from the dead. I am hoping this will help us comprehend more clearly the overarching stories of faith that drive scripture and shape our lives.

*Keiki Church* continues, with yours truly sharing a story before the sermon. Many thanks to Kathy and Andrew Jans for providing a craft time from sermon through the peace and aloha.

*Catechism* is up and running, with six young people participating.

And oddly enough, *Ash Wednesday is on February 14<sup>th</sup>*, Valentine’s Day. Although I’m still trying to figure out how to mix hearts and ashes, let’s consider Ash Wednesday services with the imposition of ashes as a Valentine’s date. Just what would St Valentine do, hmm?

I’ll save *Easter on April Fool’s Day (April 1<sup>st</sup>)* for next month. Not at all sure what to do with that.

In and through all of this – the busy-ness, the ironic humor, and perhaps even some down time, some quiet time – with this schedule, let us always remember that the point is that the God of Israel and the Church, is *God-with-us*, God-deeply-loving-us, God-Crucified, God resurrecting. That is the meaning of God with Israel in the Old Testament and with Jesus in the New.

Peace,



Pr Keith

# Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday  
February 14

Communion Worship Service  
with the imposition of ashes  
at 7:00 p.m.

## Lent Season Begins

Please join us  
Wednesday evenings  
starting  
February 21 — March 21

Show up between  
6-7 PM for soup  
&  
7-8 PM for Bible Study & Responsive Prayer



There will be a **Congregational Call Meeting** on  
Sunday February 18th at 12 noon  
to consider a call for Pastor Keith  
to Christ Lutheran Church.

## Congregational Meeting



**The Building Campaign** is busy planning, repairing, and modifying the grounds at CLC using your donations and funding from the Mission Investment Fund. Thanks to you, our donations are growing, unfortunately so is our "need to repair" list. We have made a dent and are now working on **tree trimming** & a **new roof**. If you'd like to help monetarily to the Building Fund, please note this designation with your donation so that it will be distributed to this cause.



## Lost & Found

We have a BIG box in the office full of STUFF. If you've lost any of your stuff come & check out our Lost & Found box. Everything will be donated to the Kidney Pod at the end of the month.

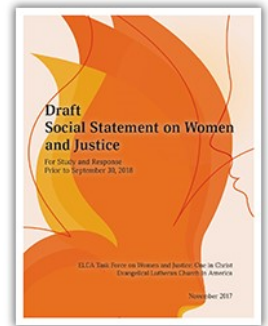


## Please help us keep updated!

We like to remember your birthday, and keep our records straight. If you have a changed email, address, phone, etc. please let us know.

## **Women and Justice**

In 2009, the Churchwide Assembly authorized the development of a social statement on women and justice. The ELCA Task Force on Women and Justice: One in Christ has been at work since 2012 and brought the work to a crucial stage: On November 15, 2017 it released the Draft of a Social Statement on Women and Justice. The comment period on the Draft is open until September 30, 2018.



The Draft, along with an FAQ, overview, brochure and information about how to participate in the comment period can be found at <http://elca.org/Faith/>



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## Assisting Ministers Needed

An **Assisting Minister** is responsible for assisting the presiding minister (usually the ordained pastor) with the worship service. This may include reading various prayers for the day and assisting the pastor with communion, baptisms, healing liturgies and occasionally reading of the lessons. An Assisting Minister may also, but not necessarily, serve at the prayer stations.

A **Prayer Station Minister** offers laying on of hands with special prayers to meet individual needs. Prayers are provided for those who prefer them to extemporaneous prayer. If you'd like to volunteer as an Assisting Minister and/or a Prayer Station Minister please let us know.

*If you'd like to volunteer in our worship hui, please let us know.*



### Run the Big Screen for Jesus

Members of the **Sound System** team utilize their computer skills to operate the audio/visual presentation of the worship service. Training is minor.

### Looking for Altar Guild helpers

Altar guild helpers are needed for 2018 (2nd service). Monthly teams share responsibilities for the preparation of the sacraments and the care of the altar. If anyone is interested in helping please see Chieko Higuchi after the 2nd service or call at: 623-1153.



### Would you like to assist with Communion?

Two of the three **Communion Assistants** deliver the wine, grape juice and bread to the altar immediately after the offering has been received. During communion you hold the chalice for drinking or intinction saying "The Blood of Christ shed for you" as worshippers commune.

## Come early—Stay late

The church doesn't open & close itself. We need willing bodies for **Set-up & Clean-up**. Each group consists of at least two people who share various duties such as opening the sanctuary, moving various tables into position, making coffee, setting out refreshments, sweeping the grounds, altar dusting, vacuuming, taking out the trash, kitchen clean-up, wiping down tables, locking up, etc.



## Acolytes

Acolyte – “follower” and “helper.” Our supply of Acolytes is dwindling. Any member of CLC at any age can be an Acolyte. The acolyte is responsible for lighting & extinguishing the candles, carrying the cross, distributing the offering bowls, and assisting with Holy Communion and Baptisms. The Acolyte's duties begin 15 minutes prior to the service.

If you are interested in being an acolyte please let us know. Pastor Keith will be training acolytes as interests are forth coming.

## What does an Usher do?

**Ushers** distribute church bulletins, record attendance count, collect the offering, and direct people to the altar area for communion. Easy Cheesy!

## Would you like to become a Reader?

From the lectern, the **Reader** speaks God's word from the Bible to the congregation by reading the scripture lessons of the day.



## We need you're Smiling Face

A **Greeter** welcomes members and guests of Christ Lutheran Church in a cheerful manner filled with the aloha spirit. Greeting begins 15 minutes prior to the start of the church

# Anniversaries

## *Happy Birthday*

01 Bill Thompson  
05 Bill Belcher  
11 Ethan Chong  
11 Tri Pham  
12 Steve Fulton  
13 Emily Lee Stanford  
14 Brian Santos  
15 Sally Kino  
20 Noah McMann  
28 Barb Burke



## *Baptismal Anniversaries*

02 Ellie Stanford  
04 Selina Oshiro  
05 Lizzy Gustafson  
11 Marissa Wiedemann  
19 Alexander Kriese

## *Wedding Anniversaries*

10 Russ & Sally Kino  
28 Jason & Joanna Forbes

## *Keeping in Our Prayers*

Rose & Bertha

The Congregation gave blessings & prayers to our Catechism Students on their Baptismal journey.

**Dominic Turinetti,  
Hunter Spangler,  
Meadow Spangler,  
Landon Acosta,  
Peter Broberg,  
& Lauren Broberg.**

Classes are held  
Wednesdays  
at 6:30 p.m.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 4:30pm Council Meeting	3 I.H.S. Day Serving the Homeless
4 7am Contemplative Service w/communion  10:45am Communion Worship Service	5	6	7 6:30pm Catechism	8	9	10
11 7am Contemplative Healing Service  9:30am PBJ's  10:45am Healing Ser- vice	12	13	14 <b>7pm Ash Wednesday Service</b>	15	16	17
18 7am Contemplative Service  9:30am PBJ's  10:45am Worship Service	19 <b>Presidents Day</b>	20	21 6pm Soup Supper  7pm Lent/ Bible Study	22	23	24
25 7am Contemplative Service w/communion  9:30am PBJ's  10:45am Communion Worship Service	26 Newsletter Deadline	27	28 1:30pm Building Committee Meeting  6pm Soup Supper  7pm Lent/ Bible Study			

# FEBRUARY 2018



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### **Sunday Worship**

7:00 a.m.

Contemplative Communion Service

9:30 a.m.

PBJ's Puppet Team

10:45 a.m.

Service of Holy Communion  
With Children's Message and  
Healing Prayers with Anointing  
Professional Keiki care  
Provided

Healing Service - 2nd Sundays

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