



Community Lutheran Church

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Monday – Thursday, 9:00 AM to Noon

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April 4, 2021

Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Day

The Rev. Bettye Wolinski, Interim Pastor

Office Hours by Appointment

Tuesday & Thursday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Jim Gelato, Deacon, OSSD

Tom Richardson, Director of Music Ministry

Kathy Waluk, Assisting Organist

Norma Rodney, Cantor

Dee Austin, Secretary

To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Community Lutheran Church offers in-person Easter worship this Sunday at 9:00am (pre-registration required) and by live-stream, also at 9:00am, on CLC's website (www.clc19945.org) and St. Peter's website (www.stpetersoc.com). See page 4 for safety protocols for Easter worship. NOTE: in-person worship will not be held if area positivity rates for COVID-19 exceed 5%, and/or Delaware COVID restrictions change prior to Easter. Notification of cancellation will be sent by email blast and phone contact.

The Zoom Fellowship Gathering is discontinued until further notice.

This Week's Scripture Readings: First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43; Gospel Reading: John 20:1-18.

A Prayer for the Resurrection of Our Lord

Father God, today we celebrate with great joy the life and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you, Lord, for your victory on the cross, which guarantees us eternal life by faith in your name, and for which we are confident in your promise that one day we will also be raised to be with you for eternity. Help us share this message while we wait for your return. Amen.
—From *Portals of Prayer*, Apr-Jun 2021

Altar Flower Dedication – The Easter Altar Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God by Harry and Ruth Sacona in loving memory of Bob and Betty Novotny.

There are open opportunities beginning throughout the spring season to honor or remember loved ones, or celebrate a special event. Please contact the Church Office to place your request (\$26 for 2 arrangements).

Offering – Please continue to support our ministry through your generosity via mail to the Church Office and through direct banking during this Coronavirus pandemic.

Electronic Giving remains available through the CLC Website: www.clc19945.org/giving.html and/or the [Tithe.ly App](https://www.tithe.ly).

For further information or questions, please contact Dave Bartges ([302-537-1236](tel:302-537-1236)/saltpond@verizon.net).



"So [the women] went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to any one, for they were afraid." —Mark 16:8

How often has fear silenced you? Too often Christians are afraid to speak up about creation care. Let us take a deep breath and put aside our fear, trusting the God of resurrection hope to guide our words and deeds as we work for a cleaner, sustainable world.
—Source: Rob Blezard, Author

FOOD PANTRY THANKS YOU! – A special thank you to all who participated in the Easter Meal Baskets. Whether you made a donation, decorated baskets, filled those baskets, or loaded vehicles, you are a HERO to our many clients.

Together we created 35 baskets: 11 were for large families of 5 or more, and 24 were for families of 4 or smaller. Please keep these families in your prayers. Many of them have multiple life challenges. Thank you again for answering the call to serve your neighbor.

The Pantry is open to clients on the 1st Tuesday of the month with the next opening scheduled for this Tuesday, April 6th, 10:00am to 12:00noon and 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Please direct anyone with emergency food needs to Pam or the Church Office.

Pastor Bettye is out of town Wednesday, April 7th and Thursday, April 8th, returning Friday, April 9th. She is available on email or by cell # during her absence: ewolinski@demdsynod.org/410-292-2360.

April Prayer Theme: *Healing*

April Bible Meditation: Psalm 103:2-3 – *Let all that I am praise the Lord, may I never forget the good things he does for me. He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases.* Isaiah 53:5 – *He was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed.*

April Prayer List:

Jack & Eileen Magar	Patricia McMullen	Dean & Pam Pedersen
Judy Martin	Gordon Naar	David & Susan Pittinger
George McMullen	Hans & Judy Neas	Tom Richardson
Julia McMullen	Tom & Lynda Osterman	Richard & Linda Riehl

While we are all affected by the Coronavirus, pray especially for those ill with this virus. Reach out to those around you who may be struggling with depression and isolation.

Parts of Prayer: **P:** Praise, **A:** Ask, **R:** Repent, **T:** Thank, **S:** Share

Remembering CLC's Homebound Disciples

Please remember our CLC homebound disciples with a friendly hello and a kind word by sending a “thinking of you” card to cheer them. Current addresses for our friends are found in the *Directory of Disciples*:

Anne Hanna, Richard Riehl, Nancy Ritenour

Prayer List – Friends of Faith, Grace of God and Community Lutheran: As we enter into the next month, Pastor Bettye would like to refresh the Prayer List of our 3 churches that share online worship. If you would like to remain on this list for our bulletins or have new names to add, please contact goguluth1@yahoo.com or elcomar@mchsi.com.

Special prayer request for Jodi Wolinski as she undergoes a medical procedure in Baltimore next week.

Prayer requests: Barbara S., Wally & Janet S., Bill & Pat C., The Novotny Family, The Stiegler Family, Ella, Esther, Pastor John, Emma, Quin, Nancy, Kathy & Gary T., Alice & Paul, Anne & Gary, Tia, Raymond & Catherine, Carol, Dawn, Wayne, Dick, Pam, Janet, Barb, Lillian, The Gooden Family, Lillian, The Dave Powers Family, Faith, Dave & Barb, Alan, Dick, Janet, Ryan, Gordon, Hans & Judy, Tom, Rose & Ned, Leslie, David, Vivian, Dee, Pam, Sandy, Lou & Lonnie, Gary, Anita & Henry, Sandy, Bob & Sally, our Bishop and staff and rostered leaders, and our friends at the nursing homes we serve; those we name in our hearts.

Prayer for healing:

Lord Jesus, in your earthly ministry, you cared for the physical, mental, and emotional needs of many people. Care for those among us who have such needs today. Provide them support through the work of their family, friends, doctors, counselors, and pastors. Comfort them in their needs with your Word, and remind them that you are with them in all of their struggles. In your name. Amen.

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Looking Ahead:

Tuesday, April 6th:

- Food Pantry Open (10:00am to 12noon, 4:00pm to 6:00pm)
- EXCOM Mtg (1:00pm, Church Office)

COME LET US WORSHIP!

Special worship notes and precautions for those worshipping in the church. We are all very aware that we are still in the midst of a worldwide pandemic. We need to be very conscientious of following advised and good practices to protect ourselves and others from COVID-19.

As we gather together cautiously and carefully, seeking to be fed and upheld by time with our Lord and a community of believers in worship, the following are guidelines crafted from recommendations from the CDC, DE-MD Synod and other worship communities.

You may feel some of the precautions are excessive. You may feel awkward or constricted at first. But we ask you to observe the guidelines and persevere for the sake of the community and for the joy of being able to worship together.

We ask you please to:

- wear a face covering at all times;
- maintain six-foot spacing from folks not in your own household (Note: if a couple or family sit in your pew, you may need to move a bit to maintain the 6-foot spacing);
- use provided hand sanitizer as much as possible (as you enter & leave the building & in the pews);
- do not crowd in the narthex before or after worship; (social distance please!)
- only hum, not sing (let our song leaders sing on our behalf.);
- offer congregational response with a quieter than usual volume;
- pass the peace from your seat, using a wave or bow to other worshipers;
- leave your offering in the offering plates at the entrances to the sanctuary;
- follow the directions of the usher as we dismiss at the end of worship;

We start here, knowing we need to be flexible to accommodate better practices or changes in COVID's path. We thank you for your patience and cooperation, your presence and your prayers. Let's not "what can't be" get in the way of our appreciation of "what is" --- the opportunity to worship in God's presence with other beloved children of God.

GOD IS WITH US. THANKS BE TO GOD!