

Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church



INSIGHT

JULY 2024

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Church Office is Closed on Monday

9:00 AM—2:00 PM TUES/WED/THURS

9:30 AM—1:00 PM FRIDAY

Office closed July 4th & 5th

FROM THE PASTOR

"As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease." (Matthew 8:22)

July. A month of vacations. A month of fireworks (I think someone sets them off in our neighborhood nightly starting in June!)

Some things I think I think this month...

...I think I think that while the wider church struggles in many areas, that we have many blessings to celebrate at CRLC.

... I think I think that while we celebrate the gifts of freedom and independence in this country, we shouldn't be dreading the election season that so many people fought for. So how do we make this better?

... I think I think that I want there to be another month added into the calendar for the summertime.

... I think I think I am excited for the Steelers to open up their training camp this month!

... I think I think that many children around us are growing up without ever knowing what Vacation Bible School and Sunday School are all about. My hunch is that many parents are going to regret this in future times.

... I think I think we all need to strive to appreciate the gifts of this weather before the snow flies.

... I think I think, as I mentioned last month, I am amazed that by the time you read this, Karen and I will have celebrated our tenth anniversary on July 1st.

**See you in worship,
Pastor Randy
PGSO**

THE PARKING LOT FUNDRAISER!



At the 2023 Annual Congregational meeting not only did the congregation pass a 2024 Mission Investment plan but we also approved funding for a major re-asphalting of the parking lot and new concrete work on the driveway apron. With existing funds, the church is going to pay for 75% of this project. We are

hoping to raise the additional 25% from the congregation. Therefore, in *general rounded numbers* this translates to a goal of raising \$25,000 from the congregation. The good news is that we have already received monies for the project since our congregational meeting, so we are already on our way.

Mark Donations: For any donations that you would make to this project, please make sure to mark and check your envelope for the purpose as “Parking Lot.” Thank you!

WORK HAS ALREADY BEGUN!

At this writing we are more than **60%** there for our 25K goal!!! Thank you!!



THEO-THURSDAY

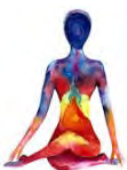
The Theo Thursdays is on a summer hiatus but will return this fall. Watch for the date and time in the September Insight issue.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE CONTINUES

Currently each Sunday through Labor weekend our Sunday morning worship service times are 8:00 and 9:30.

OUTSIDE SUMMER WORSHIP

OUTDOOR WORSHIP NOTE: As in the past, on the third Sunday of the month (**July 21st & August 18th**) we will have worship in the outdoor chapel – weather permitting.



CHRISTIAN YOGA AT CRLC

Renew your mind, body, and spirit on Mondays, 7:00PM led by Jenna Waltz in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome! The cost is a free will offering. Bring your own yoga mat.. For more information please contact Jenna at jenna.waltz@gmail.com.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, speak with Pastor Randy.



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From Generation to Generation: Ponder Anew



From Generation to Generation: Ponder Anew. This is the title of the worship and music conference I will attend July 22-25, 2024 on the campus of Valparaiso University and the beautiful Chapel of the Resurrection. The conference is sponsored by the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians in conjunction with the 2024 Lutheran Summer Music Academy and Festival.

“Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?”
—Isaiah 43:19

As these words of Isaiah imply, God always finds new ways to come to us. Throughout salvation history, whether through commandments bestowed on a mountaintop, manna in the wilderness, embodiment in flesh and bone, or as tongues of flame behind a locked door, God ordains to send us all that we need through sheer grace. And yet, Isaiah asks, “do you not perceive it?”

In times of stress, God’s people have often struggled with perceiving God’s goodness. The people grumble against Moses for bringing them into the wilderness, complain about eating the same food every day, villainize Jesus, and surmise drunkenness over the presence of the Holy Spirit. Indeed, perceiving God’s goodness is a task that is not for the faint of heart in an era where skepticism, cynicism, and sarcasm are the norm.

Etched in stone on the stairs in the Center for the Arts at Valparaiso University, the above words of Isaiah call out as if to say that through art, music, dance, storytelling, and overflowing creativity God will be made known to every generation. Through workshops, discussions, worship, and hands-on learning opportunities, I will strengthen my gifts and develop new skills in topics such as worship leadership, technology, composition, enriching assembly song and more, all the while forming connections from generation to generation with musicians in the Lutheran Summer Music Academy.

During the 2024 conference, I will have opportunities to *Ponder Anew* the call to nurture and serve the church’s song today while also considering those ways the people have given musical voice to the gospel throughout the ages. I will be invited to examine the work of church music and how, though continually made new, it is grounded in the constancy that is Spirit-driven grace given freely from God through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Such tension between novelty and tradition will perhaps be held up most clearly in what is the highlight of the conference at Valparaiso University: a 300th anniversary presentation of J.S. Bach’s St. John Passion. This presentation marries the new and the old and represents the gathering of several different communities of musicians to proclaim the gospel.

In the August *Insight*, I will share information about the workshops I attended and their presenters. I am excited to attend this conference to *Ponder Anew* how to communicate God’s saving grace to all peoples in meaningful, relevant ways.

READINGS FOR JULY

JULY 7

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the “between”: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

Ezekiel 2:1-5
Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

JULY 14

When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod’s fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God’s saving love.

Amos 7:7-15
Psalm 85:8-13
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

JULY 21

Mark’s gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today’s gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn’t think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers’ need. We are sent from Christ’s table to care for others and for ourselves.

Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm 23
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

JULY 28

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus’ table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

2 Kings 4:42-44
Psalm 145:10-18
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

... The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

May you enjoy the blessings of summer!

“. . . I have come that they might have life, and have it to the full” (John 10:10)

Wholistic health involves multiple dimensions, yet we know that God is the author and sustainer of true wholeness and wellbeing. Use of complementary therapies is one means of obtaining improved health and healing. **Complementary medicine** is intended for use together with conventional medicine. Examples include aromatherapy, acupuncture, reiki, massage and many other disciplines.

What are the benefits of **massage therapy**? Massage therapy can be an important tool in promoting mental & physical health. Massage therapy is a form of manual therapy that involves moving soft tissues. It is performed by trained, licensed therapists. Some view it as pampering, but stress relief & therapeutic purposes are also true values found in massage. Massage can help release *chronic muscular tension and pain*, improve *circulation*, increase *joint flexibility*, reduce mental and physical *fatigue and stress*, *promote faster healing* of injured muscular tissue, and *reduce blood pressure*. Massage and bodywork is also known to promote better sleep, improve concentration, reduce anxiety and create an overall sense of well-being. This article provides a list of conditions that massage can help: <https://www.mayoclinichealthsystem.org/hometown-health/speaking-of-health/benefits-of-massage-therapy>

Common types of massage therapy include: Swedish massage, sports massage, deep tissue massage, trigger point massage, lymphatic drainage massage and reflexology.

Are There Any Medical Conditions That Would Make Massage Inadvisable? Yes, such as blood clots. Before you begin your session, the therapist asks general health questions. It is very important that you inform the therapist of any health problems or medications you are taking.

Massage training programs and certification involve examinations, in Ohio a minimum of 750 hours training, and continuing education. If a massage therapist works with physical therapists or chiropractors then their work may be covered by insurance. Ongoing research will help increase insurance reimbursement in the future. One recent area of research and training for massage therapists is with cancer patients. Therapists can be particularly helpful with lymphedema.

May we seek wisdom in using complementary therapies
in our journey for health and wholeness.

“Let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill”.
(Proverbs 1:5)

Jill Koubal

Parish Nurse, RN, BSN



God's gifts, our hands

You are invited to the Gallery Opening of Art Connections on Saturday, July 27, 4-7 pm. Come to CRLC's Fellowship Hall as it is transformed into an inspired Art Gallery. Enjoy refreshments and music, view the one-of-a-kind CRLC collaborative art piece: Connecting Circles, and meet participating CRLC artists. The Gallery will be open with refreshments on Sunday, July 28, after both worship services. Want to bring a friend or family member who couldn't make it on the weekend? The artwork will be displayed in the Gallery until August 4.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ◆ **July 7—Connecting Circles are due** in the collection box in the Gathering space
- ◆ **July 14—Artwork Submission forms are due.** Please use the QR code below or pick up a paper form in the office.
- ◆ **July 21 & 24—Artwork drop-off dates.** More information is on the Artwork Submission form
- ◆ **July 27—Art Connections Gallery Opening event 4-7 pm**
- ◆ **Jul 27-Aug 4—Gallery viewing**



Artwork Submission form

“ROMANS—A BEGINNING STUDY”

THE FIVE PART SERIES continues

Pastor Randy is leading this Summer education series on this important book of the Bible.

Perhaps the book of Romans is one of the key books of Scripture outside of the Gospels that shaped Martin Luther’s theology and still forms our theology today.

The final sessions are July 10th and 17th

This class is for you if any of the following apply:

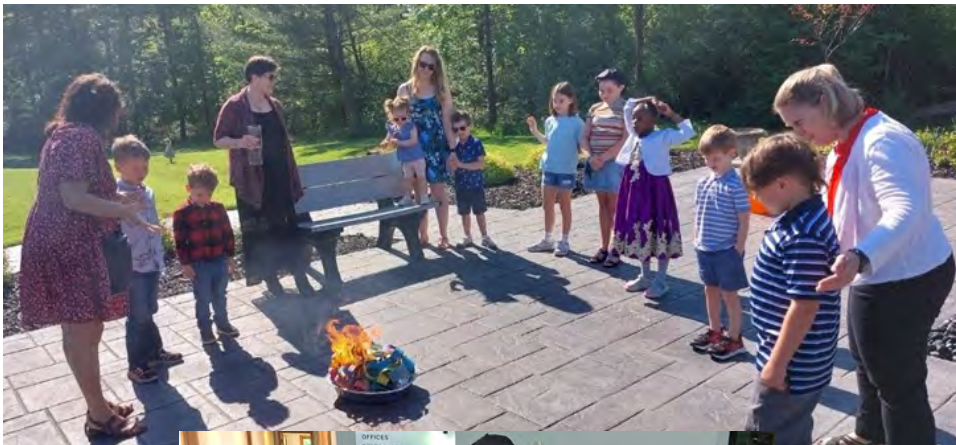
- ◆ If you are completely new to studying the Bible and have always wanted to know more...
- ◆ If you have always had questions about studying the Bible...
- ◆ If you are a veteran reader of Romans and would like a refresher course on this letter written by the apostle Paul.

This series is being offered at 2 different times:

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS @ 11AM ending July 17th **OR**

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS @ 6:15PM ending July 17th

Last Days of Sunday School



The children burning their prayer chain, sending a year's worth of prayers to God's hands reminding them that once we offer our prayers to God, we can let them go just as the smoke rises to the heavens. This is a tradition they seem to look forward to.



Our Sunday school children sitting in front of and holding the books they collected for the Children's Book Bank

CIVIC LIFE AND FAITH



United Lutheran Seminary

Kindling Faith
Learning Never Ends

June – October 2024, dates listed with topics, 7 – 8:30 pm

Online via zoom (and recorded for later viewing)

Cost \$20 per individual or \$80 per congregation (no limit to number in attendance). Check with synod office for possible funding.

To register, please click [here](#) or use QR code provided below:



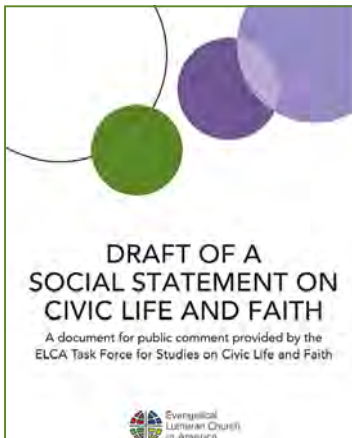
What does it mean to be Lutheran in a crucial election year?

As our faith informs our day-to-day lives, Lutherans recognize that “faith is active in love [and] love calls for justice in relationships and structures of society” (ELCA, Social Statement on Church in Society, 1991). We also know the church is called to be a community that prays, deliberates, and acts together when it comes to complex social issues. In this election year, how might our Lutheran faith shape our thinking, acting, and voting on major issues? Join us to learn and ponder timely social teachings of the ELCA and to learn tips for leading discussions in your own community.

- June 25: *Introduction to Social Teachings* Dr. Roger Willer, Director of Theological Ethics for the ELCA
- August 27: *Corporate Social Responsibility* Rev. Kaari Reiersen, Director of Corporate Social Responsibility for the ELCA
- September 10: *Abortion* Dr. Caryn Riswold, Professor of Religion/McCoy Family Distinguished Chair in Lutheran Heritage and Mission at Wartburg College
- September 24: *Faith, Sexism and Justice* Dr. Mary Streufert, Director, Gender Justice and Women’s Empowerment, and Heather Dean, Program Coordinator, Theological Discernment, ELCA
- October 8: *Earth’s Climate Crisis Study Guide* Dr. Ryan Cumming, Program Director, Theological Ethics, Education, and Community Engagement
- October 22: *Freed in Christ: Race, Ethnicity, and Culture* Dr. Richard Perry, emeritus faculty, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



Discussion and Hearing on Draft of a Social Statement on Civic Life and Faith: Trinity, Kent, will be hosting a hearing on the draft social statement on Civic Life and Faith in person on **Tuesday, July 30th, at 7:00 p.m.**

In preparation for the hearing, there will be a discussion time on Zoom **Tuesday July 9th at 7:00 p.m.**

Contact Trinity, Kent, to RSVP or for more information: (330)673-5445 *Trinity Lutheran Church 600 S. Water St. Kent, OH 44240*

Women’s Bible Study Luncheon



The Women’s Bible Study lunch was enjoyed by past, present and future attendees.

Women’s Bible Study – Sign up now!

Learn some new insights on Grace & Ephesians!

This fall at CRLC the Women’s Bible study will not be with a book, but rather to utilize the Bible study that is in the ELCA women's magazine - **Gather**. It will include the printed study from their magazine plus a video option that can be used personally or in our groups.

Upcoming Bible studies

Gather offers three multi-session Bible studies per year in winter, summer and fall and two one-month devotional studies in May and December.

Fall 2024 “Receiving grace: A study of Ephesians” by the Rev. Heidi Haverkamp

Session one: Is grace real?

We often focus on how we fall short and deserve God’s judgment. What if, instead, we remember God’s continual gift of grace? God invites us to lead lives of love and wholeness. What is grace, exactly? Grace does not take away the sin and suffering of this life. Yet grace offers us a way to live from love despite hardship.

Session two: Grace-filled living—ancient and new

What did the writer of Ephesians imagine grace would look like in Christian life and relationships? How can we live from grace in our own time, reading this letter through our cultural lenses and experiences?

Session three: Living as children of the Light

What concrete advice can Ephesians give us on how to live a fuller, happier life? What poetic inspiration can it offer us for living as Christians?

<https://www.gathermagazine.org/bible-study/>

We are creating a group sign-up with the cost: \$9.95 1-year subscription for new subscribers.

We will continue to meet monthly on the 1st Wednesday morning at 10am and 1st Thursday evening at 7pm.

Please contact Jill Koubal 216/534-0164 or the church office as soon as possible to make sure each person receives the magazine in time to utilize for our time together in September.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



REGISTRATION IS OPEN
this summer for an underwater
adventure at CRLC's Scuba
VBS!

July 8-12

**5:00-5:30pm kid-friendly
dinner (optional)**

5:35-7:50pm VBS Program

Where we will learn that God is our Friend!



Register NOW by
Scanning the QR code
with your phone's
camera.

Contact Cristina Wells
with questions at
cris1781@gmail.com



School Supplies Needed

Drop these items off at CRLC by July 29th

In the month of July, we will again be collecting **book bags and school supplies for Redeemer Crisis Center**. It is only July but some sales have already begun.

Needed:

- Bookbags
- Spiral notebooks, wide spacing
- Crayola brand (only) crayons, 24 pack
- Pencils & sharpeners
- Folders with pockets & clasps in middle



Let's help these students get a good start on the school year. They will greatly appreciate your donations!

Please place your supplies on the table in the gathering space through July 29th.

Christ the Redeemer's Meals Ministry

There are times in our lives when we might be able to use some help. Perhaps you or a member of your family is ill and you are rushing back and forth to the hospital, or you have just had surgery and are recovering at home, or maybe you've just brought a new baby home. These are just some examples of times when you might need some help with feeding yourself and your family. Here at Christ Redeemer we have a Meals Ministry. There is a wonderful group of members who volunteer to make a meal for other CRLC members to make their life easier.

You may be unaware that this service exists, so the purpose of this article is to educate you on how to get help when you need it and also to let you know how you could volunteer to be a meal-maker if you wish.

If a meal or two would help you out, you can call the church office and they will pass that information onto me or you can contact me (home: 440-717-9418 or cell: 440-227-3248) or Tonya Pagel (co-director) directly. It usually requires a couple of days to schedule a meal.

If you would be willing to join our list of cooks, let me know and I will add you to our Email list. This is the way it works. When I am notified that someone might need a meal, I call that person and find out about them (number of people, food allergies, when they would want meals, etc.). I then send out a request to the Email list of cooks, and if you can fulfill the need, you respond back by email. I then let you know if and when you should provide the meal. If you sign up on the Email list, you choose when and if you can help out. We have a number of loyal cooks, but we could certainly use more.

If you have any questions about the way this works or wish to be added to the list of cooks, feel free to call 440-717-9418 or 440-227-3248, or email me at judylyncol@aol.com.

One last thought – if you are already on the Email list as a possible cook and aren't able to volunteer anymore, please let me know and I will remove your name.

“It’s not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving” - Mother Teresa



SOUTH HILLS LEND-A-HAND

We continue to collect food for the food pantry in Broadview Heights that serves residents of Brecksville, Broadview Heights, Independence and Seven Hills.

Call 440-526-0514 if you would like to help or need assistance.

Need on a more regular basis:

Tissues, Laundry Detergent and Canned Fruit

ITEMS NEEDED THE MOST:

canned meals/stew	canned soup
canned beans	canned fruit
canned vegetables	tuna fish
peanut butter & jelly	pancake mix
cereal	rice
macaroni & cheese	spaghetti sauce
Tissues	paper towels
hygiene products	diapers
	liquid laundry detergent

USED CELL PHONES

Used cell phones are being collected throughout the year and will be donated to the **JOURNEY CENTER FOR SAFETY AND HEALING** (formerly *Domestic Violence Center*). There is a marked bag located on the coffee counter in the Gathering Space by the front entry doors.

The **JOURNEY CENTER FOR SAFETY AND HEALING** provides **services that foster safety and healing for those affected by child abuse and domestic violence.**

Aluminum pull-tabs needed for RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

There is a large jar in the Gathering Space by the stairwell as well as in the coat room at the bottom of the food shelf.

A local recycler turns the pull-tabs into **money for their Family Fund.**

REDEEMER CRISIS CENTER

EMPHASIS ON ITEMS NEEDED

Peanut Butter, Boxed Cereal and Toilet Paper,

lamps & lightbulbs
 matching bed linens (bagged & size indicated)
 16 qt. pots for rice
 only chicken noodle soup in cans
 tuna fish
 Peanut butter
 Personal hygiene items for men& women
 Toilet paper
 Hand held can openers

OASIS COLLECTION

Food items are needed for the OASIS ministry in Akron.

Items can be dropped off at church into the **NEW** donation area of the coat closet.

Healthy after-school snacks for the children OASIS partners with. This would **include bags of small apples, bags of clementines or mandarin oranges, fruit cups, granola or fruit bars and peanut butter or cheese crackers**

Lutheran Disaster Response actively works in **areas affected by tornados, hurricanes, flooding, wild-fires and war.** Donations can be made on our website home page or click on the donate tab. Checks can also be written to CRLC and write LDR on the memo line. CRLC will send your donation to LDR.

This message is excerpted from *The Importance of With* by Sara Miles 2014.
<https://onthechancelsteps.wordpress.com/2014/06/04/with/> and from *Women of the ELCA Daily Grace* <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/blog/daily-grace/with>



"The most important word in the Bible is the most important word in our lives: *with*.

With is a small word that means beside or together.

Jesus sent the disciples out into the world to share God's love and tells them, *Remember I am with you always*. There's that word! Jesus is **WITH** us always. Jesus does not promise that things will be easy or that we will always get what we want. Just this simple word **with**. Jesus is beside us always. We are together with Jesus always. He is here now. He is here later. He is here. And that is what God's love is all about. **With**. Together. Never apart. Never alone.

Sometimes there is nothing to do for someone. You want to make things better by doing something *for* people, rather than how little, it turns out, you want to just be **with** them. If I have to be with them – well, then if someone is drunk and crying, and just wants another person to be with them in their unhappiness, then I have to just sit there. Or if the person is upset and worried about their kids, and they just want another person to be with them in their anxiety, then I have to stand there and let them see how useless I am. I'm scared about not doing the right thing."

This writing impressed me because being *with* one another is also part of Fellowship. We spend time with one another typically in pleasurable pursuits. But is that all there is to Fellowship?

Perhaps Fellowship is also something we practice as Christians when it isn't so pleasurable to be with someone. Perhaps they are facing a temporary setback, perhaps they are struggling with a major life challenge, perhaps they are making the same mistake you've seen them make many times before and it has always brought them heartaches or headaches and they seem incapable of learning the lesson that has been presented many times. Perhaps they are just having a bad moment or day or a full blown mental health crisis.

I witnessed an example of fellowship the other day at the Dollar Tree. A young woman had reached the point in her life story that a severe trauma she had experienced at the hands of an intimate partner had bubbled up from her inner being and she was telling another person at the store, whom I gathered was just a stranger, about the trauma.

The other person, although they probably had other plans for running a quick errand, sensed that this young woman needed someone to just be *with* her and listen to her. And so she did.

It seemed to me a remarkable act of grace and kindness, perhaps of God's love and grace for the woman listening and for the young woman who needed to be heard, at an inopportune time and place. But there it was, unfolding right before my eyes! Someone was *with* the young woman when she needed someone to be *with* her.

Perhaps we can expand our understanding of fellowship to include being with others when all we can do is listen, hold a hand, give a hug, pray with them, or just be with them in their time of trial.



CRLC Meditation Garden

Bring yourself, bring a friend, bring your book, Always open, always peaceful Ever spiritual and refreshing.

Please take a moment this summer to just relax in the CRLC meditation garden. Allow yourself to focus only on the tranquility of the fountain and the beauty of God's gift of nature. It's good for your body, mind and spirit!

Garden Walk Cleveland

Anyone interested in attending this free event, please contact Gail Berzins at (440) 503-6652, or email gberzins@att.net.

Watch for a sign-up sheet on the Message board.



FREE
10 am - 5 pm

GardenWalk
Buds, Blooms, and Bees cleveland

For maps and more information visit
gardenwalkcleveland.org

Sat Jul 13, 2024 | Fairfax, Glenville, Ohio City, Old Brooklyn, Tremont, West Park

Sun Jul 14, 2024 | Broadway Slavic Village, Clifton-Baltic, Collinwood, Detroit Shoreway, Little Italy

Uplifting our Gardens and Neighborhoods!

Celebrate Cleveland neighborhoods and their gardens, from tiny and traditional to whimsical and playful, and everything in between.

GardenWalk Cleveland 2024 features gardens in 11 neighborhoods

GardenWalk Guides will be distributed in various locations in the days leading up to GardenWalk. Please check the website for locations. Maps will also be available on our website and at neighborhood Information Stations.



Rain or Shine

Saturday, July 13, 2024, 10 am to 5 pm

- Fairfax
- Glenville
- Ohio City
- Old Brooklyn
- Tremont
- West Park

Sunday, July 14, 2024, 10 am to 5 pm

- Broadway Slavic Village
- Clifton-Baltic Neighborhood of Edgewater
- Collinwood
- Detroit Shoreway
- Little Italy

gardenwalkcleveland.org
facebook.com/gardenwalk.cleveland
instagram@gardenwalkcleveland



July Volunteers In Parish Service

As always, if you are unable to serve on a scheduled date, *please find your own replacement*
and let the church office know by Wednesday of that week.

Thank you for your service

<u>July 7</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>9:30 am</u>
Assisting Minister	Need a reader	Diane Young
Communion Assistants	x	Blaine & Judy Coleman
Ushers	Mike Berzins, George Stelmaschuk	Frank Bolton, Scott Witzke
Altar Care	Gail Stelmaschuk	Linda Eckenbrecht
Counters: Cathy & Jeff Smith, Jeff Luksa		
<u>July 14</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>9:30 am</u>
Assisting Minister	Shirley Fisher	Alberta Manzi
Communion Assistants	x	Bill & Pam Waltz
Ushers	Todd Kiick, Ken Blank	Jeff Dentzer, Jennifer Eisenmann
Altar Care	Dorthea Kramer	Dana Vrcan
Counters: Jeff Dentzer, Mike Bodanza, Todd Romance		
<u>July 21</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>9:30 am OUTDOOR</u>
Assisting Minister	Lauren Jirousek	Need a reader
Communion Assistants	x	x
Ushers	Don Laubacher, Lisa Antonucci	Scott Witzke, Dana Vrcan
Altar Care	Pam and Bob Bertsch	Gail Stelmaschuk
Counters: Andrew Perry, Lisa Witzke		
<u>July 28</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>9:30 am</u>
Assisting Minister	Steve Wilson	Kathy Hoinski
Communion Assistants	x	Jan Hansler, Tom Hoinski
Ushers	Lou Carouse, George Stelmaschuk	Blaine Coleman, Dan Bartik
Altar Care	Gail Stelmaschuk	Dana Vrcan
Counters: Joy Petrovic, Dan Bartik, Dennis Farney		



*Happy
Birthday!*



*Happy
Anniversary!*

- 1 Karla Arens
- 1 Linda Eckenbrecht
- 2 Wendy McGill**
- 3 Ken Kasper
- 4 Adrienne Davic
- 4 Donna Opperman
- 6 Alice Sheeler
- 8 Joan Harbath
- 8 Michael Jirousek
- 8 Jane Perram
- 8 Christine Powers**
- 11 Jeff Dentzer
- 11 Addison Singleton
- 13 Marlene Kasper
- 14 Adeline Witzke
- 16 Lori Jakel
- 16 Butch Koubal
- 17 Grace Dralle
- 17 Cody Podsiadlo
- 18 Karen Knicely
- 19 Tony DeBaltzo
- 19 Nick Dobrinich, Jr.
- 19 Sawyer Gibson
- 20 Betti Hazelton
- 20 Scott Witzke
- 20 Hannah Boulton
- 21 Jan Romance
- 23 Dan Bartik
- 24 Aaron Bailey
- 25 Steve Fisher
- 27 Zachary Toghil
- 27 Hailey Jane Jenkins

- 28 Alexander Eisenmann
- 29 Guy Gullifer
- 30 Madeleine Kucera
- 30 Joy Witzke

****= Milestone
birthday**



- 1 Laurie and Al Siebert
- 1 Pastor Randy and Pastor Karen
- 3 Lauren and Michael Jirousek
- 3 Kari and Matt Beery
- 12 Mike & Laura Medvec
- 14 Cathy and Dave Thomas
- 14 Beth and Thomas Spann
- 24 Tonya and Brent Pagel
- 24 Todd & Laura Kiick
- 31 Jessi & Colten Bailey



WATERING OUR GERANIUMS

Help keep the beautiful geraniums in bloom all summer long with regular watering. Sign up to water a day or two during the hot weeks with no rain. Our Courtyard plants also need watering. Choose a week and sign up on the message center or call the church office to volunteer.



Did you know that we have the ability to receive online giving through our website?
(www.crlcbrecksville.org)

This option will allow for folks to contribute to our congregation using their credit card or debit card. There is not a cost for the church to host this ability, however this is a cost to us for every transaction that is processed. The donor however, can add this fee to any donation they make using this process so that the church receives the full amount intended. This will allow for folks who prefer to handle their giving in this way. This can be used for a one-time donation or it can be set up for reoccurring contributions. It also will allow specific giving to specific funds in our church. You also can download an app for your phone, and after a one-time set-up, you can easily use your mobile device for giving. Donors also have the ability to have recurring donations directly charged to their Bank or S&L checking or savings account through the church Simply Giving program without needing to use the on-line system. Please contact the church office to get more information or to set up this option."



- ◆ Did you know that the work on the parking lot project has already begun?
- ◆ Did you know that we will worship outdoors in the newly renovated chapel on Sunday, July 21st at 9:30AM? This is also the 34th anniversary of Pastor Randy's ordination.
- ◆ Did you know that VBS this year will be held in the evenings this month?
- ◆ Did you know that you can use a QR code to register for both this month's VBS and Art Connections?
- ◆ Did you know that Bob & Pam Bertsch represented our congregation at the synod assembly in Akron this year! Thanks to them both.
- ◆ Did you know that our participating youth will attend ELCA Youth Gathering later this month?
- ◆ Did you know that in order to publicize something in the newsletter we need it by the 15th of the month prior?

... and Now You Know!

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Glissman family, Beth Marcinko, Harbath/Dorow/Larsen families, Sheeler family, Mark Antonucci, Alberta Manzi, Case/Manzi families, Wendy Dralle, Jeanne Travaglianti, Karl Koubal, Linda Radefeld, Bob Stasek, Mardell & Frank Boulton, Paul Cameron, Missy Koch, Doris Caldart, Kathie Brusk, Linnet Fritz, Ken Kasper, Karen Knicely, Nick Dobrinich, Marlene Kasper, Jacob Cordiak, Janet Johnston, Kim Jennings, Melissa Candage, Denise, John, Colby & Quintin, Alice, Marcine, Lois Smith, Chris & Dave Foelber, Cole, Kerri Weber, Bob Gallik, Don, Marc, Adalyn, Tanya, Ben, Nuvia, Jim Miller, Bev Kan, Bill Zellmer, David Kaderbech, Paul Brusk, Steve, Nancy, Rita Glow, Don

All those impacted by war and natural disasters



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 7:00pm Yoga	2	3 Parking Lot Apron paving 11:00am Romans-A Beginning Study 6:15pm Romans-A Beginning Study	4  Independence Day Office closed	5 Office closed	6
7 VBS decorating 8:00am Worship 9:30am Worship	8 5:00pm -7:50pm Vacation Bible School 7:00pm Yoga	9 5:00pm -7:50pm Vacation Bible School	10 11:00am Romans-A Beginning Study 5:00pm -7:50pm Vacation Bible School 6:15pm Romans-A Beginning Study	11 5:00pm -7:50pm Vacation Bible School	12 5:00pm -7:50pm Vacation Bible School	13
14 8:00am Worship 9:30am Worship	15 Monthly Insight Deadline 7:00pm Yoga	16 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA	17 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA 11:00am Romans-A Beginning Study 6:15pm Romans-A Beginning Study 6:30pm Ruark Musicians Practice	18 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA	19 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA	20 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA
21 Art Connections set up 8:00am Worship 9:30am Outdoor Worship	22 Art Connections set up 7:00pm Yoga	23 Art Connections set up	24 Art Connections set up	25 Art Connections set up	26 Art Connections set up	27 4:00pm Art Connections Opening!
28 Art Connections 8:00am Worship 9:30am Worship/Weidner/Gaccom Baptism	29 Art Connections 7:00pm Yoga	30 Art Connections	31 Art Connections	CHRIST THE REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH 9201 Brecksville Road Brecksville, Ohio 44141 440.526.2303 www.office@crlcbrecksville.org Monthly Insight submissions: insight@crlcbrecksville.org		

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