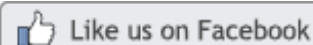


## Greetings!

Welcome to Christ Lutheran e-news, a weekly electronic newsletter which highlights programs and activities of our congregation. Feel free to [share with family and friends](#).



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## Family Asylum Update

Last week Rolf Larson and Pr. Bourret met with more than a dozen leaders from several area congregations interested in joining us on a journey of accompaniment with a family seeking asylum. What questions do you have about this undertaking under consideration? Bring them to Rolf or Pr. Bourret!

## Family Promise Announces a New Strategic Plan for Serving Homeless Families

As most are already aware, families in shelter at Family Promise Metrowest (FPM) have been housed in hotels since March 2020 and will remain there through the rest of 2021. During this coming year Family Promise will search for a permanent housing site to shelter the families.

Learn more about this new initiative from Director Sue Crossley:

[view the video](#)

**A message from Robin Hurst and Mary Avalos, Family Promise Coordinators at Christ Lutheran Church:**

*We'd like to take this opportunity to say a huge THANK YOU to all who stepped up last month with very generous donations to the Family Promise grocery fund. Thanks go as well to everyone who over the years cooked, served, set up and broke down rooms, stayed overnight, provided hospitality and fellowship, and just plain cared about the families being hosted here in our "home". While this congregation's role with Family Promise will change, we are confident that our strong commitment and support of the overall mission will remain.*

## Music Notes

Tom Berryman, Music Director

Only 336!

J.S. Bach's Birthday, observed by the "old style" calendar on **Sunday, March 21**, gives us a great reason to include some wonderful music for our service that day, Lent V. We begin with the Siciliano movement from the Sonata for Flute in E Major, using a recording made by Anne Weaver in our sanctuary last year. The Sonata in E is a late work composed following Bach's visit in 1741 to the Court of Frederick the Great, a renowned amateur flutist. We end the service with our CLC Voices and guests singing the opening chorus from Cantata 99, "Was Gott Tut, das Ist Wohlgetan," "What God does is done well." The singers are joined (remotely recorded, of course!) by some splendid players forming our orchestra: Anne Weaver, flute Jennifer Slowik, oboe d'amore Heidi Braun-Hill, violin Joan Ellersick, viola and Adelaide Braunhill, bassoon For a glimpse of this wonderful music, [watch the Netherlands Bach Society](#) recording for the project All of Bach on February 7th 2015 at the Grote Kerk, Naarden.

...and don't miss our own CLC, locally sourced offerings this Sunday!

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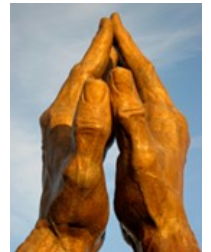
## Adult Formation

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### Lenten Mid-Week Meditations

**Tomorrow, Wednesday March 17th at 7:00pm** we gather again for about a half hour of Lenten prayer, using the "Service of Word and Prayer" from All Creation Sings. We'll sing a new song and a familiar one, prayer, and reflect on the appointed text.

Watch your inbox for an invitation and bulletin.



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### Adult Forum

Gathering on Zoom has opened participation in the adult forum to a lot of folks who have not previously been able to attend. New folks are always welcome. We meet one hour before Sunday worship, using the same link to join the "meeting."

This **Sunday, March 21st at 9am** we continue our discussion of "Characteristics of White Supremacy Culture." Come and be surprised, challenged, and inspired by thoughtful conversation.



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## Call to Action

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Delivery folk are still needed to get packets for Holy Week out to local CLC folk on **Saturday, March 27**.

With a strong cadre of drivers, the task won't be too onerous. Contact Pr. Bourret if you're able to lend a hand (and a few wheels).



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## Looking Ahead

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JOIN US THIS SPRING FOR OUR  
**WALK FOR CHANGE (May 1/2)**  
**& RAFFLE FOR CHANGE**

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

Registration is now open for the CLC's **Walkers** team for Family Promise Metrowest's annual Walk for Change! The event will be held virtually this year with participants completing their walk over the weekend of **May 1st - 2nd**. Please use the link below to register for the event and join the team "CLC Walkers (Christ Lutheran Church)". **Stay tuned for details on an outdoor, masked walk option for the CLC team!**

Raffles tickets are also on sale now! For more information on ticket prices and to learn more about the fabulous First, Second, and Third place raffles prizes, [click here](#).

Tickets must be purchased by **midnight on Saturday, May 1**. Prize winners will be announced on **Sunday, May 2 at 1:00pm**.

Click this link to buy tickets: <https://www.trellis.org/raffle-for-change>



**READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

March 21, 2021

**First Reading**  
Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Psalm**  
Psalm 51

**Second Reading**  
Hebrews 5:5-10

**Gospel**  
John 12:20-33

**Sing For Joy**

Enhance your understanding of the weekly scripture readings by listening to [Sing For Joy](#) from St. Olaf College. The Sing For Joy radio program, produced by St. Olaf College, has a simple mission: to explore the weekly themes of Christian worship by providing the best in sacred choral music and thoughtful commentary. The musical performances eloquently "do the talking," while the concise remarks from host Pastor Bruce Benson illuminate the meaning of the texts.

**Do you have information for our weekly e-news?**

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