# Christ Lutheran Church Community News

### March 2, 2022

## **CLC Transition**

While we await the roll-out of the Transition Team's survey of members we are grateful for the following prayer offered at worship this past Sunday:

O Lord, we give thanks for your servants, James, David, Sarah, and Elizabeth. Open our minds and hearts to your guidance as we consider our future and transition to new pastoral leadership. God of grace, hear our prayer.

## Music Notes Tom Berryman, Music Director



Jazz pianist and CLC member Ross Petot leads the music on **Sunday March 6**, the First Sunday in Lent. Although he is often joined by John Clark (clarinet) and Peter Tillotson (bass) for our services, this Sunday Ross will be "solo," offering his unique improvisations on the congregational hymns and liturgy. Kim Petot will serve as Cantor on Sunday.

Quoting from his *New England Jazz* bio, "Ross is a regular member of The Blue Horizon Jazz Band, John Clark's Wolverine Jazz Band, Back Bay Ramblers, and more recently, Swing Times Five. He currently teaches at the All Newton Music School in Newton Massachusetts and performs frequently throughout the New England area," across the US and around the world! From *Wikipedia* "Ross Petot is an American ragtime, jazz and stride pianist and composer. He is considered the predominant stride piano player in all of New England." Check out his cd "Ragtime and Other Stuff" at *http://nejazz.com/oldsite/RossRagtime.htm* 

#### Hymns for Sunday, March 6 Lent 1

Gathering Hymn: *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me* ELW 325 Hymn of the Day: *Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land*ELW 333 vv 2 and 3 Offertory Hymn: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* ELW 807 v 1 Communion Hymn: *What Wondrous Love Is This* ELW 666 v 1 Sending Hymn: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* ELW 807 vv 2 and 3

We resume our video series of reflections, currently called **-Lenten Devotions**, on weekdays during Lent with biblical readings, meditations, prayers provided and

recorded by Russell Pollard, Rev. John Stendahl and Rev. Richard Hurst. "Locally sourced" music recorded by members and friends concludes each meditation. Rolf Larson provides appropriate images for our Reflections. You will receive the day's Reflection by e-mail each morning.

**Holy Week Collaboration** April 14, 15 and 16 with Christ the King (Holliston) on Maundy Thursday, (Peace Wayland) on Good Friday and Easter Vigil (CLC Natick). Each parish will host one of these three services with musical and worship assistance from all of these Lutheran parishes. Please plan to join us for this Lutheran community collaboration.

# **Adult Formation**



#### CLC Book Group, Monday, March 7, 2022, 7:30 pm

Gather for a discussion of Min Jin Lee's novel, Pachinko. To join the event, contact Marianne Swenson, *mswenson10@comcast.net* for the Zoom link.

Ash Wednesday service, March 2, 7:30 pm. Confession, Imposition of ashes, and communion. Watch virtually via our *YouTube channel*.

## **Looking Ahead**

Rolf Larson's photography show at the Wellesley Public Library has been extended through the month of March! If you haven't been in to see it, you now have a second chance.



On **Saturday evening, March 12**, two CLC members (Kim Petot and Mary Wolf plus former member Jeff Pearson) will be singing with Chorus Pro Musica at Church of the Covenant, 67 Newbury Street, Boston.

Register *here*.

## Lenten Devotions



Beginning Ash Wednesday, March 2, Russell Pollard, Rev. John Stendahl and Rev. Richard Hurst will offer readings, reflections and prayers each weekday. Each Lenten Devotion concludes with a musical offering recorded by a CLC member or friend. The Devotions will be available through our website <u>christnatick.org</u> and through a link sent each day by e-mail. Consider making the CLC Lenten Devotions part of your forty day pilgrimage through Lent.

## **Call to Action**

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companion churches in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such ecumenical partners as the Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits. Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton has joined other religious leaders from Europe and around the globe in issuing an interfaith call for peace in the region.

Your gifts will support Ukrainians and others. Gifts to "Eastern Europe Crisis Response" will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by the crisis in Ukraine and neighboring countries.

Our prayers abound for the loss and devastation experienced in Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

#### **READINGS FOR THIS WEEK** March 6, 2022

First Reading **Deuteronomy 26:1-11** 

For the Psalm **Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16** 

Second Reading *Romans 10:8b-13* 

Gospel *Luke 4:1-13* 



#### The Rev David Hulse, Interim Pastor

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