



The Christ Candle

April 2025

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**All meetings are open to members of the congregation.
 Scheduled meetings are sometimes adjusted based upon the ministry team members schedules.



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ An E.L.C.A. Congregation ~

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Mark Your Calendar Dates to Remember!



- Apr 09 - Lenten Midweek Services End
- Apr 13 - Palm Sunday
- Apr 17 - Maundy Thursday (7pm)
- Apr 18 - Good Friday Tenebrae (7pm)
- Apr 19 - Easter Vigil (7pm)
- Apr 20 - Easter Breakfast (8:00-10am)
Easter Sunday Worship (10:30am)
Easter Egg Hunt following Worship
- May 11 - Mother's Day
- May 26 - Memorial Day



YOUTH GROUP

For 6th - 12th Graders

Apr 13th—5-7pm

Apr 27th—5-7pm Bowling

Please Bring Your Friends!!

*If you need a ride please call,
we will get you there!*

*Please see Robin Bellamy for
more information.*



EASTER EGG HUNT



**We are looking for
candy donations
(individually wrapped)
for the Easter Egg
Hunt!
Please see Dara for
more information!**

Check out our website.

**Visit us at:
clchammond.com**



Go to YouTube.com and Search:

**Christ Lutheran
Hammond IN**



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facebook

If we haven't found you yet...check us out on Facebook!!!
Search: Christ Lutheran Church Hammond



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Our traditional Shrove Tuesday supper was held on Tuesday, March 4th.

Thank you to everyone who helped shop, cook & clean-up!
It was a wonderful evening of food and fellowship!



SAVIOR SERVANT FRIEND

SERVICES FOR LENT



Ash Wednesday
FORGIVER



Week 1
HEALER



Week 2
LISTENER



Week 3
ENCOURAGER



Week 4
PROTECTOR



Week 5
COMFORTER

*I have called you friends, for all that I have heard
from my Father I have made known to you.
John 15:15*

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Midweek Worship
begins -

Mar 12th -

10:30am & 7:00pm

(Soup served
following the
10:30am service)

The final midweek
services will be on
April 9th.

10:30AM Lenten Midweek Worship **“Savior, Servant, Friend”**

Is a special series of Mid-Week Lay Leader Services
for the season of Lent.

Beginning on Wednesday, March 12 - April 9 in Byquist.

(Soup to follow)

7PM Lenten Midweek Worship - “Holden Evening Prayer”

Mid-Week Services Each Wednesday evening in Lent
“Holden Evening Prayer” by Marty Haugen

Beginning on Wednesday, March 12 - April 9 in the Sanctuary

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

+ Holy Week +



Palm/Passion Sunday: April 13th 10:30am

On this day the church continues its procession with our crucified and risen Lord. He is in our midst as we hear of his life-giving death and as we share his body and blood. At the beginning of this great week, the passion gospel sets forth the central mystery of the Christian faith: Christ emptied himself in death so that we might know God's mercy and love for all creation.



Maundy Thursday: April 17th 7:00pm

On this day the Christian community gathers to share in the holy supper which Christ gave the church to reveal his unfailing love for the human family. In the actions of this liturgy, Christ demonstrates this love by speaking his faithful word, washing our feet, and giving us his body and blood. From this gathering we are sent to continue these actions in daily life: to serve those in need, to offer mercy, to feed the hungry.



Good Friday: April 18th 7:00pm

Tenebrae (Latin for "darkness") was the name given to the medieval pre-dawn morning prayer celebrated by monks during the last three days in Holy Week. In recent time, this monastic liturgy was transferred among many churches to Friday evening in Holy Week to complete the walk to the cross and our Lord's death for our sin.



Easter Vigil: April 19th 7:00pm

This liturgy's Easter Proclamation announces, "This is the night in which all who believe in Christ are rescued from evil and the gloom of sin, are renewed in grace, and are restored to holiness." It is the very foundation of our Christian faith, and it is what makes this the crowning moment of the church's year, as the risen Lord leaves the tomb.



Easter: Sunday of the Resurrection: April 20th

Easter is the festival that celebrates the central event of the Christian faith: the resurrection of Christ three days after his death by crucifixion. Easter is the oldest Christian holiday and the most important day of the church year. All the Christian movable feasts and the entire liturgical year of worship are arranged around Easter.

8:00am-10:00am Breakfast

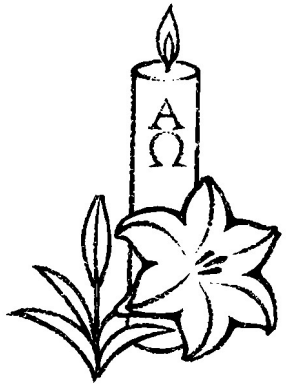
10:30am Worship

EASTER BREAKFAST

Breakfast will be served from 8:00am-10am.

A free will offering will be collected.





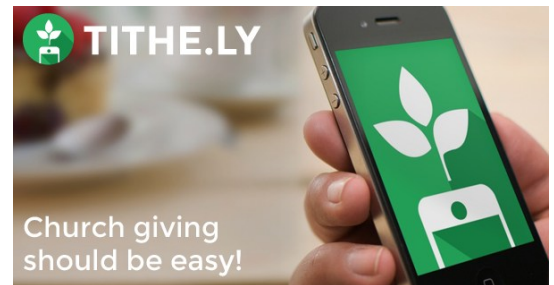
+THE SEASON OF EASTER+

The seven weeks of Easter historically constitute the first real season of the Christian Church. Those first fifty days between Christ's resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost must have been a truly special time in the experience of the disciples -- a time of real exuberance and joy after the great disappointment and disillusionment of Good Friday -- a time of reconciliation of the disciples with their Lord -- even a time of holiness, a time of realizing the righteousness which was being bestowed upon these disciples through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and given as a gift of true grace by God. There could be no more special time in the world than was this time between the resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit for the first disciples. No doubt, that is what encouraged them into annual celebrations of this season as they brought the gospel to more and more people and established the Christian Church.

It is time to live out what Paul has proclaimed: the Great Exchange has taken place; Christ is my sin, and I am his righteousness (cf. 2 Cor.5.21).

Christ Lutheran is signed up for online giving.

You can still give your offering in the plate at church or by mail, this is just another way to give. Simply go to Tithe.ly website or download the app and set up an account. It walks you through a few simple steps and your ready to go!



CLC MISSION STATEMENT

SHARING God's love by
LIVING our faith and
SERVING the world.



April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 Lent 4 9am SCS, Confirmation & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	31	1	2 10:30am Lenten Midweek Worship 7:00pm Lenten Midweek Worship	3 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	4	5
6 Lent 5 9am SCS, Confirmation & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship 12:30pm Worship & Music Mtg. 12:30pm Christian Ed Mtg.	7	8	9 10:30am Lenten Midweek Worship 7:00pm Lenten Midweek Worship	10 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	11	12 Hall Rental
13 Palm Sunday 9am SCS, Confirmation & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	14	15	16	17 10:30am & 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship	18 7:00pm Good Friday Tenebrae	19 7:00pm Easter Vigil
20 Easter Sunday 8-10am Easter Breakfast 10:30am Worship 12:15pm Egg Hunt Hall Rental	21 	22	23 7:00pm Council	24 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	25	26 Hall Rental
27 Easter 2 9am SCS, Confirmation & Adult Ed 10:30am Worship	28	29	30	1 6:15pm Genesis 7:00pm JuBellation 8:00pm Choir	2	3



2025 EASTER GARDEN



Flower orders are now being received.
Don't be disappointed,
order yours today!!

COST: \$10.00 per Plant

Orders due by: Sunday, April 13th

(In order that names are correct, please print)

Your Name: _____

Envelope # _____ Phone: _____

Given in Memory of: _____

And/Or

Given in Honor of: _____

Amount of Money Enclosed At \$10.00 per Plant: \$ _____

Check which plants apply:

(Please give quantity if ordering more than one type of plant)

_____ Easter Lilies # _____ Tulips # _____ Hyacinths

_____ I will take home after LATE Service (Easter Day)

_____ I will leave for Easter Season and Planting on Church grounds.