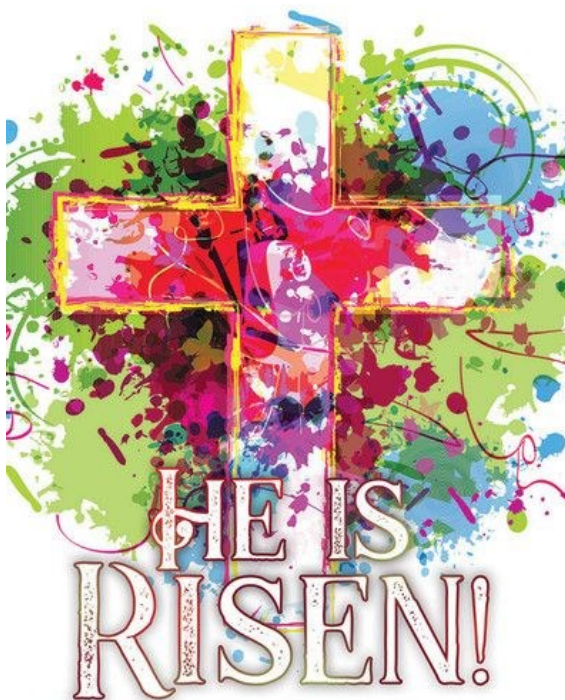


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THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED.

LUKE 24:34



May Messenger Deadline is
April 23, 2023

Please e-mail your articles to
Central Lutheran Church

Lea.Ramirez@clcyakima.org



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

It is good to be here!

My husband John and I moved to Yakima from Ephrata early in March and have been unpacking and settling in. We love the area and are excited to be here. By the time this newsletter is published, we will have

already celebrated our first Sunday Service together on March 26th and be heading into Holy Week.

The Gospel of John is my favorite gospel. It is used heavily during Lent and Holy Week. John dedicates seven chapters to the last 24 hours, deal with the Last Supper and Jesus' final words of instruction to his disciples. Jesus wanted to prepare his disciples for their upcoming mission.

In his Farewell Discourse, Jesus calls his disciples to many things. He calls them to unity, to love one another, serve one another, and to bear fruit. Jesus not only tells the disciples what they are to do, he also tells them how they will be able to do these otherwise impossible things he commands. Jesus summarizes the how in the vine and branches teaching in John 15. John 15:1-17 is the chiasmic center and ultimate focus of his whole Farewell Discourse. This "how" is at the heart of his instruction to the disciples and summarized in John 15:4-5:

Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing – John 15:4-5.

Abiding, spending time daily in prayer and meditation, gives us peace in the midst of the turmoil of life, helps nudge our hearts to align with God's will and the eternal work God wants to do through us, unites us together, and keeps us centered on Christ. It is a vital first step in our discernment process as we ask what God is calling us to in the future. It is more than a coincidence that church researchers have yet to see sustained forward movement and revitalization in congregations that

were not undergirded by prayer. **I invite you to join me as you are able in the chapel on Tuesdays, from 12:15-12:45pm, to practice John 15:4-5 and pray for Central Lutheran and God’s plans for her.** I plan to do this every Tuesday beginning 4/18, through 5/25.

Central is an amazing congregation and I am really looking forward to getting to know each one of you better. One of my goals for this year is to have one-on-one conversations with each of you. I’d like to hear your hopes and what is important to you. There are quite a few members here so this will take a while, but it is important as we begin our life together. In addition to beginning the work with council toward developing a 5-year plan for Central, my other areas of focus this year include relaunching New Member Classes and Confirmation Classes. More about those later. So stay tuned!

My installation will be held on Sunday, April 23rd, at 3:00pm. It will be a festive occasion. I hope you will be able to come.

I am excited to be here and am looking forward to getting to know each of you and discerning together the good things God has in store for us at Central Lutheran.

In the joy of the Lord,

Pastor Ann

Pastor Ann Murphy

pastorannmurphy@clcyakima.org



*Dear beloved of God at Central Lutheran,
Thank you so much for the wonderful welcome,
the fun welcome cake, gift basket filled with
deliciousness, and beautiful flowers. My heart
is full - Pastor Ann Murphy*





*Please Join Us
For Holy Week*

*Maundy Thursday
April 6th at 7:00 pm*

*Good Friday
April 7th at 7:00 pm*

*Easter Sunday
April 9th at 9:00 am*



*Please join Pastor Ann Murphy
for CLC Prayer in the Chapel!*

*Every Tuesday starting April 18th through
May 25th from 12:15 until 12:45 pm.*



Summary of March council meeting
For the congregation:

The council met March 21. Kirsten compared March Madness philosophy of teams being dedicated to each other and working full heartedly toward their goal of winning the championship to us at CLC and how we must all work

together using each other's special skills. By working together in a disciplined manner we too can achieve our goal of bringing Christ to others around us and realizing the Kingdom of God in our midst. Verses out of Philippians Ch.3 used.

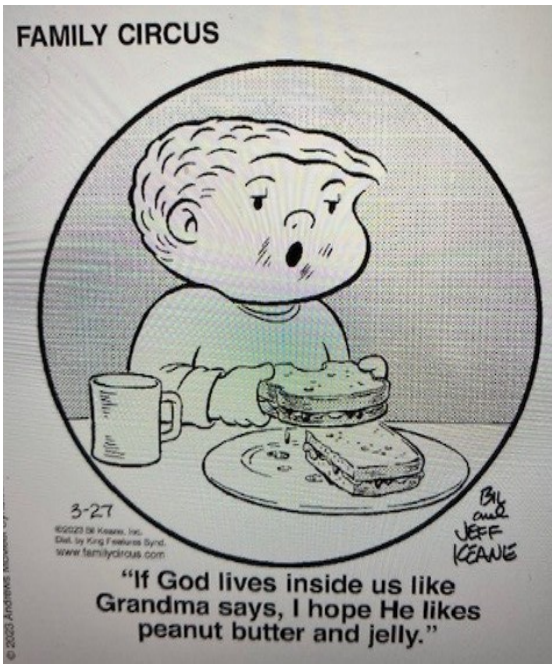
Pastor Ann Murphy was gracious enough to join us and let us introduce ourselves to her.

The installation service for her will be April 23th at 3:00 pm although she will start working with us Sunday, March 27th. Her new email is pastorannmurphy@clcyakima.org. This will be a nice way to communicate with her if you want to.

Cheryl Bush and Lea Ramirez joined us to help explain and inform the council about the formation of and workings of our finances. They explained the make up of dedicated funds and how they are to be used and monitored. Also, the Memorial Fund was brought to our attention and how it is to be used. Being as it has grown over the years from funeral gifts, it was decided that while we are waiting for the insurance checks to be issued we can use these memorials to help pay for the repairs of the dedicated library. The roof leak and subsequent damages in the pipes and ceiling there and over towards the office are being done by Baxter Construction. Tim Franks will send out an explanation of this situation in a later communique with the congregation.

The council had several requests from Church in Society comm. These would be funds from the Endowment committee. The council needs to approve the request before it is then sent on to the Endowment for their approval for the projects with the understanding that the requests fit into our stated mission of CLC. The requests were for \$5000. For the Rotary Food Bank and \$5000. for the ELCA Lutheran Disaster Relief Fund to help victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Two other requests were sent back to the CinS committee for a revision and more clarification. They may resubmit them later.

Bart Roderick requested funds for attendance at the A.G.O. (organ) convention in Portland. These funds will come out of Thrivent Choice Dollars that our church is issued each year. It was explained that the church is a non-profit and cannot rent per se. We can, however, charge a fee for building usage to outside groups. They must fit into a purpose of our mission. The future of OTC was discussed. A time for a forum meeting will be arranged by the Youth and Family committee in order to show the results of the survey and let people have a time to expression their thoughts and concerns. This will happen very soon. They also were asked to draw up a job description for a youth and family director that we could advertise. The feeling was that we need to take care of our own church family first before we start offering a program for outside individuals. A housing resolution was signed by president Karen Baken to issue the permission for Pastor Ann to use in her housing allotment. A vote approved the request of a new subgroup of Boy Scouts (girls) to join the troop we already have. If anyone needs more details of the council meeting, they are posted out in the narthex once they have been approved at the following month's meeting.





Farewell to our interim and friend Pastor Kathleen Anderson! Jim Bodeen did the Farewell and Godspeed during worship March 12th, 2023. Thank you to Nicole Pierone for all her work putting it together!





Tuesday Morning Bible Study enjoyed the group with Pastor Anderson and will miss their study. Also Goldie! They look forward to Bible Study with Pastor Ann Murphy.



LUTHERHAVEN

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR CAMP!

Felicity will be driving the van to, working as resource staff, and staying at Lutherhaven the week of June 18th-June 23rd, 2023. If you would like to register your children for that week please go to Lutherhaven.com and click on "Programs", "Summer Camps", and then scroll down to find the appropriate age group(s).

Questions? Email Felicity at felicity.pittman@clcyakima.org



Thank you to everyone at Central plus the Funeral Committee for the support and wonderful reception following my Step Son's Memorial. A special thank you to Pastor Kathleen, Bart, and Felicity for the Memorial Service. By the way the cookies were great! - Lea and family

Leprechaun picture drawn by Rosalea Barragan, Lea's 5 year old Granddaughter.



There was a farmer who grew excellent quality corn. Every year he won the award for the best grown corn. One year a newspaper reporter interviewed him and learned something interesting about how he grew it. The reporter discovered that the farmer shared his seed corn with his neighbors. "How can you afford to share your best seed corn with your neighbors when they are entering corn in competition with yours each year?" the reporter asked. "Why sir," said the farmer, "Didn't you know? The wind picks up pollen from the ripening corn and swirls it from field to field. If my neighbors grow inferior corn, cross-pollination will steadily degrade the quality of my corn. If I am to grow good corn, I must help my neighbors grow good corn." So is with our lives... Those who want to live meaningfully and well must help enrich the lives of others, for the value of a life is measured by the lives it touches. And those who choose to be happy must help others find happiness, for the welfare of each is bound up with the welfare of all... Sent in by Milt Gunderson





2nd Jase Lybeck

3rd Sonya Merz and Dalene Pittman

9th Grace Gatton and Kiersten Lybeck

10th James Avery

19th Courteney Boyle and Julie Rottman

25th Janice Miller

26th Dotty Swank

27th Gary Lund

28th Emma Argo

30th Tiffany Nygard



5th Michael and Cheryl Bush

15th Steve Hill and Carole Folsom-Hill

20th Matthew and Valerie Imbrock

24th John and Bonnie Molsberry

26th Paul and Nancy Melville

30th Greg and Adele Bainter



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Phyllis Gillihan (Ponderosa)

Chet Hausken (Fieldstone)

Art Ries (Livingcare)

Toni Perschke (Brookdale)

Betty Douglas (Moxee)

Wilma Aspevig (Lives with daughter)

Doris Benish (Orchard Park)

Marie Halverson (Yakima)

Joanne Puyear (Arbor House)

Tim Schulz (Yakima)

Virginia Prochnow (Izzy's House)

Donald and Barbara Breshears
(Anne Chapman's Parents)

Beverly Bechtel (Anne Chapman's Aunt)

Eunice Koeppe (Sun Tower)

Church in Society:

Caring for Creation:

Wearing of the Green:

St. Patrick's Day may be behind us but thinking about our clothing choices is an important way to make sustainable, earth-friendly choices.

The clothing industry is probably second only to the oil industry for being a source of global pollution. Manufacturing clothing pollutes by generating microfibers, and using huge amounts of water, plus utilizing chemicals that are used to grow, treat, and dye our clothing.

What to do?

- 1). Buy nothing and get along with what you have (cheaper, too!)
- 2). Buy less, or buy second hand clothing (again cheaper)
- 3). Buy things made of sustainable fabrics that include polyester from recycled plastics, organic cotton, and responsibly grown and processed wool.
- 4). Choose styles that are classics, rather than "fast" fashion
- 5). Buy locally, and as directly as possible.
- 6). If things are being shipped to you, choose entities that ship in minimalist, and eco-friendly packaging.
- 7) When discarding, make every attempt to have the items reused, as very few textiles are actually recycled.



The Dance Team used the gym to practice before their State Competition, March 23rd.



thank you!!!
♡Madie

Thank you!
♡ Zoe

Thank you!
-Sophia

♡
Emily

Thank you!!
-Nash

Thank you!
-Vesal

Thank you!
♡ Michelle

Thank you!!
♡ Moss

Thank you
-ivie

Thank you
-Charlotti

Thank you!
-Grace

Thank you!
-Chloe

Thanks!
♡ Brooke

Thank you!
♡ Nina

Thank you
-Isa

Thank you for supporting the
LWHS Dance Team!
We are so grateful!

♡
The Lake Washington HS Dance Team
= ♡
The Lake Washington HS Dance Team
Promoter Club

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p><u>UpBeats Community Concert Series</u> <u>April 30th at 6:00 pm</u> <u>Performance by Laura Schactler</u></p>		
<p>2 Palm Sunday 9:00 am HOLY COMMUNION</p>	<p>3 Library repair to begin!</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>9 Easter 9:00 am HOLY COMMUNION Habitat Group coming for the week!</p>	<p>10 9:30 a Preschool 6:30 p Boy Scouts 6:30 p Property Committee</p>	<p>11 8:00 a Foot Care 9:30 a Preschool 3:00 p On the Corner</p>
<p>16 2nd Easter 9:00 am HOLY COMMUNION 10:15 am On The Corner Forum</p>	<p>17 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a TOPS 6:30 p Boy Scouts 6:30 p Church Council</p>	<p>18 8:00 a Foot Care 9:30 a Preschool 12:15 p CLC Prayer 3:00 p On the Corner</p>
<p>23 3rd Easter 9:00 am HOLY COMMUNION <u>3:00 pm Pastor Installation</u> Habitat Group coming for the week!</p>	<p>24 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a TOPS 6:30 p Boy Scouts</p>	<p>25 8:00 a Foot Care 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a Bible Study 12:15 p CLC Prayer 3:00 p On the Corner 7:00 p Endowment Meeting</p>
<p>30 4th Easter 9:00 am HOLY COMMUNION</p>		

2023

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday/Saturday
<p>Gym Schedule: Youth Group Wednesdays 4 until 6:00 pm OTC Tuesday and Thursday 3 until 6:00 pm Preschool Monday through Thursday 9:30 until noon</p>		<p>1</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 7:00 pm SERVICE 1:00 p Hospitality Committee 2:00 p Worship Committee</p>	<p>7 <i>Good Friday</i> 7:00 pm SERVICE 2:00 p Haven Group</p> <p>8</p>
<p>12</p> <p>9:30 a Preschool 4:00 p Youth Group 6:30 p Bell & Choir</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:30 a Preschool 3:00 p On the Corner</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:00 a Foot Care Habitat Group leaving!</p> <p>15</p> <p>10:00 a Yakima Quilters</p>
<p>19</p> <p>9:30 a Preschool 4:00 p Youth Group 6:30 p Bell & Choir</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9:00 a Piecemakers 12:00 p Decisions 3:00 p On the Corner</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8:00 a Foot Care 6:00 p Rock Club Meeting</p> <p>22</p> <p>9:00 a Jr League Project Prom</p>
<p>26</p> <p>9:30 a Preschool 4:00 p Youth Group 6:30 p Bell & Choir</p>	<p>27</p> <p>3:00 p On the Corner</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:00 a Foot Care</p> <p>29</p> <p>Habitat Group leaving!</p>

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS

UPBEATS

COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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FREE ADMISSION
DONATIONS ACCEPTED



JANUARY 22: THE CAMERATA CLUB
FEBRUARY 26: THE FLUTE TROUPE
MARCH 26: THE JOE BROOKS QUARTET
APRIL 30: LAURA SCHACTLER
MAY 21: THE COMMUNITY BIG BAND



Members of the Flute Troupe performed for the UPBEATS Community Concert Series in February.

Pictures by Karen Bodeen



The Joe Brooks Quartet performed March 26th as part of the UPBEATS Concert Series. Thank you to Mary Johnson and Jane Peterson for decorating and making it jazzy!
Picture by Pastor Ann Murphy.



Be sure to mark your calendar for Pastor Ann Murphy's Installation April 23rd, 2023 at 3:00pm



**Central Lutheran co-op Preschool
Hanging Basket Fundraiser provided by Buds
and Blossoms**

Basket Price \$40.00

Baskets will be available for pick-up @CLP on May 20th
Time: 10am-12pm

All orders must be in by April 19th





Chuck Austin Place

For the month of April we will collect personal hygiene supplies for the Veterans Housing. Thank you to the Piecemakers for

your great idea!

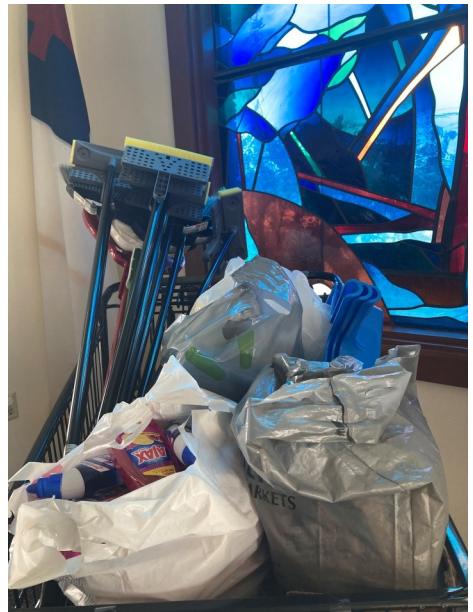


Suggested items: bar soap, body wash, deodorant, shampoo - conditioner, tooth brushes, razors, shaving cream, Kleenex, bath towels, hand towels, wash clothes.

Chuck Austin Place

For the month of March we collected cleaning supplies for the Veteran's Housing. Thank You Myrna Hillestad for your great idea!

For any other ideas please contact the Church in Society Committee.





The Piecemakers donated quilts. The Youth and OTC donated bingo and prizes, games and puzzles for the Veterans to play. Kim the new director was very excited.



They are back.....

Habitat for Humanity will have 2 groups staying at Central during their week of work in Yakima.

The first group are high school Students staying April 9th through the 14th. And the second group is the Beaverton group that has come

for over 20 years, staying April 23 through the 29th. Both groups will be in room 107/108, kitchen and the Fellowship Hall. Be sure to say "Hi"!

Community Quilt Project



PURPOSE:

The purpose of this community project is simply to bring as many of the different cultural groups together to share customary cultural ways.

HOW DO WE DO THIS?

Sponsorship financially and by persons willing to sew the quilt square, some for each side. Quilt Squares are provided.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO COMPLETE?

This project is expected to take some time to complete. Hopefully with community support both financially and sewing, we can have the quilt completed in about 2 years, hopefully less time.

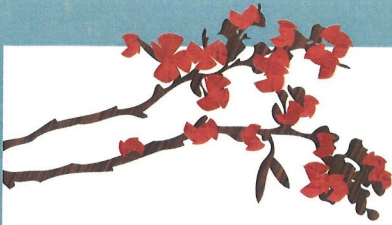
WHAT HAPPENS TO THE FINISHED QUILT?

Doners will have the option to display the completed quilt in their place of business or a location of their choice, for a selected period of time (like a traveling trophy). The quilt will be displayed at the Central Washington State Fair in the Modern Living Building during the annual fair.

Doners include; Yakima Chief Ranches, The Greater Chamber of Commerce, Ron's Book and Coin, Erick Silvers, Nancy Rayner, Quilters Café.

QUESTIONS can be directed to:

“Marti” Martha Sondgeroth Quilt Coordinator
cell phone 509-910-3484 or email: marthams@q.com



MOTHER'S DAY FUNDRAISER
CLP PRESCHOOL
SUCCULENTS AND STRAWBERRIES

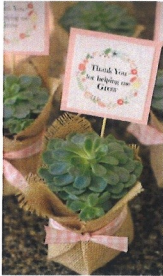
MAY 13TH PICK UP

ALL ORDERS IN BY APRIL 28TH

10AM-12PM

CENTRAL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL
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Convenient ordering through our Stripe Account:
<https://buy.stripe.com/28o7u5evZ7Zi6YM144>



\$12 succulents



\$24 large box

\$12 small box strawberries

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Featuring Special Displays

HERKIMER DIAMONDS

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Local Rock & Mineral Collections

Friday April 21, 10 am to 4 pm

Saturday April 22, 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday April 23, 10 am to 4 pm

Discount Coupon: \$1. off Adult Admission
Limit One



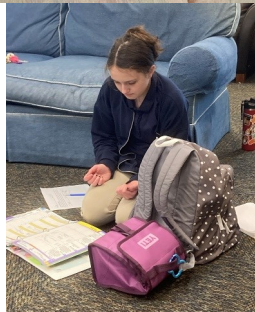
Demonstrations include:
Gold Panning, Wire Wrap,
Lapidary and more

Raffle Door Prizes
Silent Auction Kids Activities

Vendors have Rock & Mineral Specimen's, Jewelry, Lapidary Equipment

Admission: Adult \$6 / Student \$2 (Under 12 free with paid adult) Free parking at Gate 5

Coupons
are
available
by the
Chapel



Thank you to Manny Guzman & Melissa Christianson for leading Youth Group so Felicity could go to OR to watch Mark play lacrosse.

On the Corner Enrichment Program

S - science

T - technology

E - engineering

A - art

M - math



CENTRAL LUTHERAN

OTC FORUM

April 16th after Worship

**CLC COUNCIL
ENCOURAGES YOU TO
COME HEAR FEEDBACK
FROM THE LETTERS,
SURVEYS, DISCUSSIONS,
AND EMAILS WE'VE
RECEIVED ABOUT THE OTC
PROGRAM**

After hearing feedback
we'll have time for
discussion. We look
forward to hearing your
thoughts and ideas.



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Treasurer's Report						
Financial results thru		February 28, 2023				
	Offerings/income	Year to date	Expenses by major category	February	Year to date	
	February	Year to date		February	Year to date	
General fund	20,094.90	42,210.95	Salaries & benefits	17,968.64	37,187.99	
Building Usage	175.00	706.00	Youth & Family	31.72	704.38	
other income	15.51	(158.32)	Worship	374.64	1,819.35	
Transfers			Hospitality	32.00	135.56	
from endowment fund		(640.63)	Stewardship/Church in Society	5,153.81	5,153.81	
from money market	(1,148.43)		Property	14,570.96	23,121.99	
Gertie Hein - Visitation		-	Office	(18.77)	1,330.12	
Total	19,136.98	42,118.00	Total	38,113.00	69,453.20	
	February 2023		operating loss, net of transfers	\$ (17,827.59)		
			net loss	\$ (18,976.02)		
		Year to date	operating income, net of transfers		\$ (26,694.57)	
			net loss		\$ (27,335.20)	

Hello April



A good day isn't always
P erfect. It challenges you to
R elease your potential and
I nspires you to appreciate the
L ittle, amazing things in life