

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

2022 CLC Mission Helper Trip:

Missionary Ohlmann is currently in Tanzania. He reports that there are many new opportunities to do Child Evangelism, especially among the Maasai tribes. The leaders of the CLC-Tanzania and CLC-Zambia are very eager and excited to host volunteers again in 2022. The deadline for applications for the 2022 Mission Helper Trip to Africa this summer is January 10th. Find more information and apply online at: mht.lutheranmissions.org/2022-east-africa

Current CLC Africa Mission Trips:

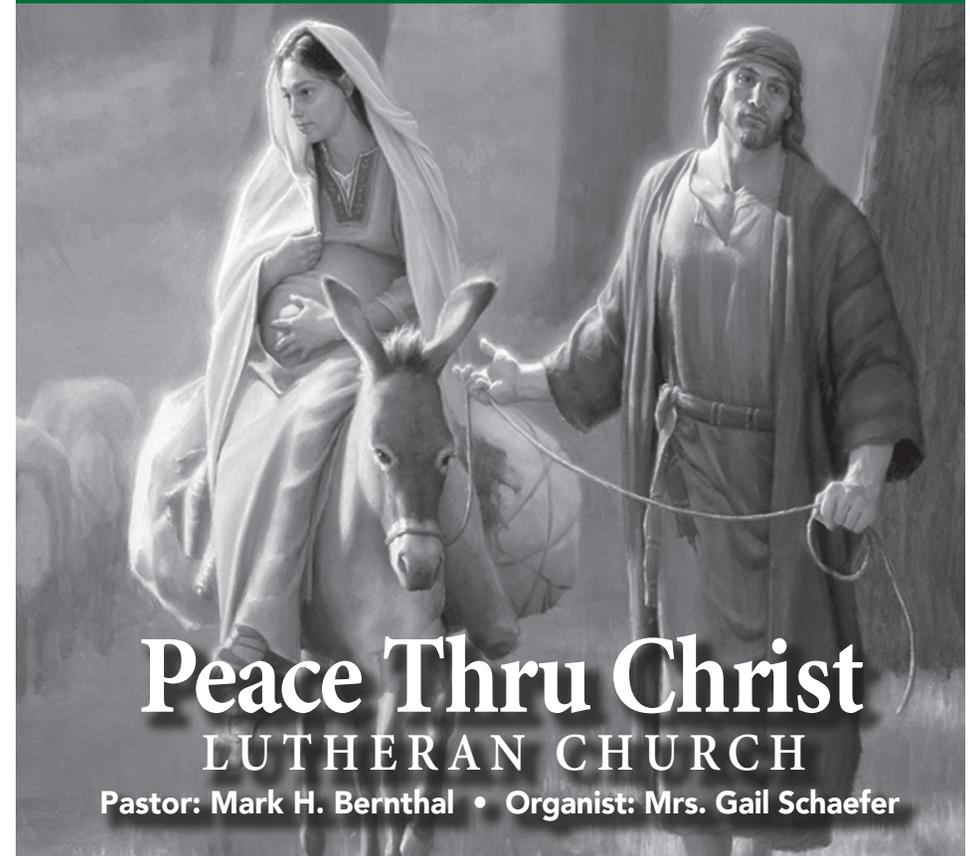
Pastor John Hein and Missionary Todd Ohlmann have both been visiting CLC mission fields in Africa. Pastor Hein, who serves as our part-time visiting missionary to Liberia, recently returned from a 2 1/2 week visit to Liberia. You can watch Pastor Hein's Bible Class presentation about the visit to Liberia at: <https://clcgracelutheranchurch.org/20211128bc>. Missionary Ohlmann has been in Tanzania for about a month. He will return home on December 10th. You can read about the Tanzania visitation on his blog at: <http://missionaryohlmann.blogspot.com/>
In His service, Nathanael Mayhew

KNOW GOD THROUGH HIS WORD

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church.



We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call **Pastor Bernthal** at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at mbern@juno.com



Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 91

THE ORDER OF SERVICE • Worship Supplement, p. 12

Opening Hymn:	487
Before Sermon:	71
After Sermon:	706
After Prayers:	60
Closing Hymn:	66 (1, 4-5)

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Hebrews 1:1-9

The author to the Hebrews tells us of the glory that belongs to Jesus. He is “the brightness of God’s glory and the express image of His person.” As impressive as the powerful, holy angels are, Jesus is even more impressive because He is God’s only begotten Son.

God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; 3 who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4 having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. 5 For to which of the angels did He ever say: “You are My Son, Today I have begotten You”? And again: “I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son”? 6 But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: “Let all the angels of God worship Him.” 7 And of the angels He says: “Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire.” 8 But to the Son He says: “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom. 9 You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”

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- After 24 years of teaching at Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN, Susan Rehm has asked for a peaceful release from her call effective at the end of the 2021-22 school year.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHRISTMAS CHORAL SERVICE:

A choral service featuring the choirs of Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary will be live-streamed online Friday, December 17, 2021 at 7:30 pm from Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. To watch, go to www.eauclairemessiah.com and click on the “Live Stream” button (lower left). If you miss the live stream, a replay will be available to view for one week following the concert. This year’s theme is The Martin Luther Christmas Book and will feature songs of the season along with devotional readings selected from Luther’s Christmas sermons.

CHRISTMAS BAGS:

If you would like to donate items for the Christmas bags, please bring them by next Sunday. The bags will be packed after church next Sunday. We plan on making 15 bags.

WANTED:

Any new phone numbers, new addresses, or e-mail addresses for our 2022 church directory. Please give them to pastor before the New Year. Thanks!

NEEDED--USHERS:

Any male communicant member who is not presently serving as an usher but who would like to help serve in 2022, please see Pastor Bernthal before the New Year’s list is typed out. Please do so by the New Year. Thank you!

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1

CHRISTMAS GATHERING/BABY SHOWER:

Hannah's Helping Hands will be holding its Christmas Gathering together with a baby shower for Anne Dumke this Tuesday, Dec. 14th at 6:30 at church. Please sign the sheet if you can make it.

SIDING AND WINDOWS PROJECT: We thank the Lord that contracts are complete and the Town of Westport has approved our design. The Voters approved \$60,000 for the project. We project to have \$25,000 in the Property Improvement account, funded by budgetary offerings, by the time the project is complete. Our goal is to raise an additional \$35,000 in special offerings to fund the project. Offerings for this project should be marked "PTC 50th Anniversary." \$5,000 has already been received. Praise the Lord!-- Church Council

ADVENT SERVICES:

Our last mid-week Advent service will be held this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Our Advent series theme is: Symbols of Salvation: Foretelling Christ's Birth.

Advent 3: The Son of God, who once dwelt among His people in a tent made of animal skins, has made His eternal dwelling among us in our human skin in order to bring us back to life with God. Sermon: "The Lord Sets Up His Tent Among Us" Ex. 40:17-21, 34-38 (David Ude)

NEEDED: One more man to read passages for our Christmas Day Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. Eight have volunteered so far. Please see Pastor if you would like to read.

CLC NEWS:

- Pastor Sam Rodebaugh of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, Florida, has the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

John 1:1-14

The apostle John gives us the truth about Jesus, the baby born in Bethlehem. He is not just a little baby; He is the very Son of God, who existed even before the beginning, who created this world, and who has now become human flesh in order to save us, and to make known God's love and God's salvation to us all..

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. 8 He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. 9 That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11 He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: 13 who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.



THE SERMON:

Isaiah 52:7-10

Sermon Theme:

As Your Messenger, as Your Watchman:

I'VE GOT GOOD NEWS FOR YOU!

How beautiful upon the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who proclaims peace, Who brings glad tidings of good things, Who proclaims salvation, Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!" 8 Your watchmen shall lift up their voices, With their voices they shall sing together; For they shall see eye to eye When the Lord brings back Zion. 9 Break forth into joy, sing together, You waste places of Jerusalem! For the Lord has comforted His people, He has redeemed Jerusalem. 10 The Lord has made bare His holy arm In the eyes of all the nations; And all the ends of the earth shall see The salvation of our God.



PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are glad you are here this morning worshipping our Savior with us. As we prepare our hearts for our Savior's coming, we meditate our minds and hearts upon the Good News that Jesus was born for us in order to suffer and die and rise again to save us. What a great salvation! What a great Savior! Come worship your Coming Savior with us again and please sign our guest book as you leave.



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This Week:

Today:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Ananias & Sapphira
Bible Class: Philippians 3:12-21 • 10:00 a.m. Family Worship
11:10 a.m. Choir/Christmas Program Practice
11:30 a.m. Church Council

Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Sage Meadow
6:30 p.m. Hannah's Helping Hands/Baby Shower

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Advent 3—Pastor David Ude
8:15 p.m. Choir
8:30 a.m. 50th Anniversary Committee Meeting

Thursday

10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

Friday

7:30 p.m. ILC Christmas Concert

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship • 11:10 a.m. Choir/Christmas
Program Practice • 12:30 p.m. Caroling

SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:

A. Gerbitz, J & C B. Schaser/Schaser
Counters: Ruth Bernthal & Rachel Meyer

OFFERINGS

12/1 & 5 for Unified Budget: \$2,791
Project Kinship: \$400

ATTENDANCE:

Facebook 12 / YouTube views 2 / Church 41 S.S. 2
Bible Class: 11 Advent 2 / 23